

# Hail

**\$1.6 billion**



Insured losses caused by just three Alberta hailstorms (2010, 2012 and 2014).

Hail has affected every province and territory in Canada. The following provides info on key areas that may require attention in order to reduce the risk of hail damage to your home.

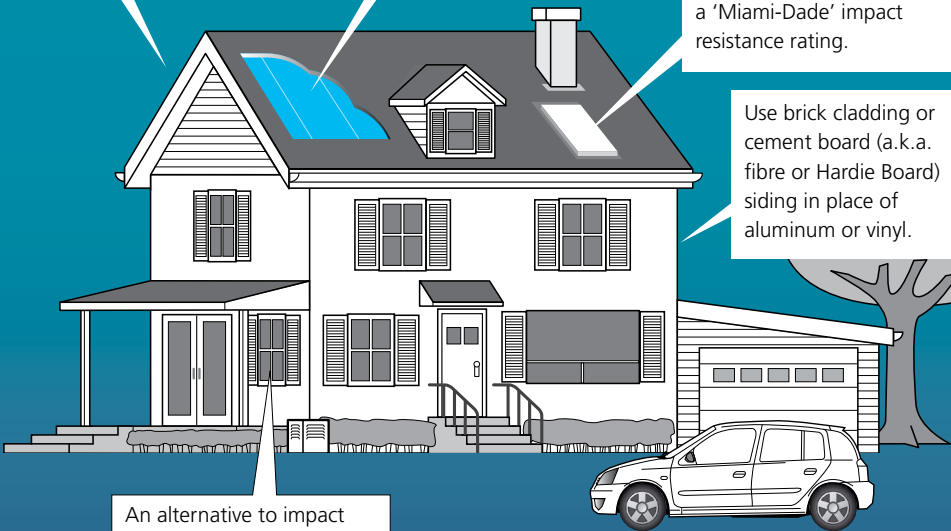
Purchase a home with a steeper sloped roof as flatter roofs are more vulnerable to hail damage.

When re-roofing, install full roof underlayment, preferably self-adhering waterproofing underlayment (a.k.a. ice-and-water shield).

Use roofing products with the Underwriters Laboratories UL 2218 Class 4 impact resistance rating.

For skylights, windows and doors, use products made to withstand high debris impact such as those with a 'Miami-Dade' impact resistance rating.

Use brick cladding or cement board (a.k.a. fibre or Hardie Board) siding in place of aluminum or vinyl.



An alternative to impact resistant windows are window safety films, which are readily available at most home renovation stores.

Whenever possible, keep your vehicle parked under permanent cover (garage or carport).

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