



Hail in Calgary



June to September is hail season in Calgary. Hail is formed when drops of water freeze together in the upper regions of thunderstorm clouds. Hail can range in size from a small green pea to a tennis ball and can hit the ground at up to 100 km/hr. Severe storms can produce damaging hail, heavy rainfall and strong winds during these months. These storms can cause injury and damage to cars, homes, and businesses.



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Now is the time to prepare, follow these steps to get ready:



Before hail season:

- Routinely monitor local weather forecasts for incoming storms.
- Review insurance policies to ensure you are covered for hail.
- Create an Emergency Action Plan for your household. Visit calgary.ca/getready
- Install a sump pump and a sewer backflow valve.
- Have someone check your property if you are away.



Getting ready for storms:

- Secure barbeques and patio furniture.
- If possible, park your vehicle in a covered area to prevent damage.
- Ensure downspouts are pointed away from your home, and not directly towards your neighbour's home.



Learn how to prepare your home and property for the impacts of climate change at: calgary.ca/ClimateReadyHome



Staying safe during a hailstorm:

- Seek shelter immediately.
- Stay away from windows, doors and skylights during a storm.
- Do not drive through flooded intersections or large puddles.
- If outside, get away from large metal objects and avoid big open areas.



Hiring a contractor?

For information on how to hire a contractor [click here](#)



What to do after a hailstorm:

- When safe, assess and photograph damage.
- Call your insurance provider to report the damage or losses.
- If you need help getting in touch with your insurer, call the Insurance Bureau of Canada at 1-844-227-5422 or email askibcwest@ibc.ca.
- Take care of yourself and your mental health. If you need help, call 2-1-1 or visit ab.211.ca

