



Timberline Roofing & Contracting Completes Composite Shake Roof Installation Highlighting Class 4 Hail Protection

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Timberline Roofing & Contracting has completed a composite shake roof installation for a residential property in Orono as part of its ongoing work in storm-resistant roofing for Twin Cities homeowners. The project used a composite shake product designed to resemble traditional cedar while meeting a Class 4 hail rating, the highest impact-resistance classification available for residential roofing materials.

Founded in 1998, Timberline Roofing & Contracting is a locally owned and operated company specializing in storm damage restoration, roof replacement, repairs, siding, windows, gutters, and decking for residential and multi-family properties. The company holds GAF Master Elite certification, a designation awarded to a limited group of contractors that meet strict standards for training, installation quality, and customer service. The Orono project reflects the company's focus on materials suited to Minnesota's hail-prone climate.

Class 4 hail ratings are determined under UL 2218 impact testing, which evaluates how roofing materials perform when struck by large hail. Products that earn a Class 4 rating demonstrate high resistance to

cracking and breakage from impact. That performance is especially relevant in Minnesota, where hailstorms occur regularly and can shorten the life of standard asphalt shingles through granule loss, bruising, and hidden damage that later leads to leaks. The rating is also of interest to insurance carriers evaluating risk and coverage for storm-exposed homes.

The Orono installation was selected to give the home the appearance of a cedar shake roof while addressing durability concerns associated with natural wood, including splitting, warping, and maintenance demands in freeze-thaw conditions. Composite shake systems are commonly specified for homes where homeowners want a traditional look with improved resistance to hail and wind. Timberline Roofing & Contracting coordinated the work through its on-site project management process, from material selection and scheduling through installation and final review.

Gordy Kaufmann, owner of Timberline Roofing & Contracting, stated, "Minnesota homeowners deal with hail more often than many people realize. A Class 4 hail rating is a practical specification in this climate because it addresses the type of impact damage we see after storms and is a factor insurance companies recognize."

The company regularly assists homeowners with storm assessments and insurance documentation after hail and wind events. Professional inspections are used to identify impact marks, granule loss, flashing issues, and other conditions that may not be obvious from the ground. That documentation supports accurate claim review and helps determine whether repair or full replacement is the appropriate next step. The Orono project illustrates how material selection can be part of a longer-term plan to reduce repeat storm damage.

Colin Beckman, Vice President, added, "Homeowners and insurers both look closely at hail performance. Class 4 rated products give a clear, third-party measure of impact resistance, which helps people make informed decisions when replacing a roof in a hail-exposed market."

Beyond the Orono installation, Timberline Roofing & Contracting continues to offer a full range of exterior services, including asphalt shingle systems, storm damage restoration, siding, energy-efficient windows, gutter protection, and decking. The company also provides an instant quote tool on its website that generates a property-specific estimate in under 30 seconds using satellite imagery, followed by project manager follow-up. Flexible financing and manufacturer warranties remain available on qualifying work.

Community involvement remains part of the company's operations. Timberline Roofing & Contracting contributes a portion of profits to Habitat for Humanity to support home construction and repair for families in need. With more than 25 years serving the Twin Cities and surrounding communities, the company continues to combine local project experience with materials selected for Minnesota weather.

Timberline Roofing & Contracting is a locally owned and operated company founded in 1998, specializing in storm damage restoration and premium roofing solutions for residential and multi-family properties in the Twin Cities area and beyond. As a GAF Master Elite certified contractor, the company maintains high standards in craftsmanship and service while contributing a portion of profits to Habitat for Humanity.

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