

Towson Roofing Pros Discuss the Risks of Neglecting Rotted Roof Decking

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Towson Roofing Pros, a residential and commercial roofing contractor serving Baltimore County, is offering helpful guidance to homeowners dealing with rotted roof decking as part of their commitment to providing durable and safe roofing solutions.

Roof decking, also known as roof sheathing, provides structural support for roofing materials such as shingles, tiles, or metal panels. It is usually made of plywood or oriented strand board (OSB) and is installed directly onto the roof rafters or trusses. Its main function is to provide a sturdy base for the roofing material to be attached to, and also to distribute the weight of the roof evenly across the entire structure. Without properly installed and intact roof decking, the roof may sag, leak, or even collapse under the weight of heavy snow, rain, or wind.

According to a spokesperson for Towson Roofing Pros, "Homeowners should address rotted roof decking immediately. Rotted decking weakens supports for roofing materials, increasing the risk of leaks and

damage. Moisture trapped within the decking can cause mold and mildew growth, leading to health risks and decay of surrounding materials. Rotted decking can also attract pests like termites, exacerbating the roof's deterioration. Homeowners should maintain their decking to prevent hazards, including repairing any rot and keeping the roof in good condition." More can be read about at https://blog.towsonroofingpros.com/2023/04/roof-maintenance-in-towson-maryland_17.html

Homeowners can identify signs of rotted roof decking through observable indicators. Sagging or dipping areas on the roof can indicate that the decking has weakened or rotted due to moisture infiltration. Water stains or discoloration on the ceiling or walls inside the house can suggest that water has penetrated through the decking, causing decay. The presence of mold or mildew in the attic or along the underside of the roof can signal excess moisture and potential rot. If the roof shingles appear to be buckling or curling, it could be a result of compromised decking underneath.

The common causes of roof decking deterioration are due to moisture intrusion. Prolonged exposure to rain, snow, or humidity without proper ventilation or insulation can lead to moisture buildup and eventual rot. Leaks from damaged or improperly installed roofing materials can allow water to seep into the decking, accelerating decay over time. Poor attic ventilation can exacerbate the problem by trapping moisture and promoting mold growth, further weakening the decking structure. Inadequate flashing around chimneys, vents, or skylights can create entry points for water, contributing to decking deterioration.

"It's important to address damaged roof decking as it can cause severe harm to the property and occupants, resulting in significant financial loss. Homeowners can restore the structural integrity of their roof and avoid potential collapses by replacing or repairing the affected decking. Hiring professional roofing contractors from reputable companies is also important to ensure safe and correct repairs. They accurately assess your roof and recommend the best solutions. Attempting to repair rotted roof decking without professional guidance is risky. Mistakes can cause structural instability and damage the entire roof system." explains the spokesperson.

Towson Roofing Pros is a locally owned and operated company serving Towson, Baltimore City, and the surrounding Baltimore County area, including Lutherville-Timonium, Cockeysville, Hampton, Carney, Parkville, Brooklandville, Pikesville, Owings Mills, Carney, Reisterstown, Yorktown, and more. They have a deep understanding of local building codes and industry best practices for repairing or replacing damaged decking to ensure optimal performance and longevity of the roof. The company offers a wide range of services in their service area, including emergency roofing, commercial roofing, roof repair and leak remediation, roofing consultations, metal roofing, skylight installation and repair, soffit and fascia repair, flat roof replacement, and more.

Homeowners seeking assistance with roofing needs can easily contact Towson Roofing Pros by phone at (410) 489-1503 or via email at info@towsonroofingpros.com.

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