



Courtesy Care Restoration Shares Essential Winter Home Protection Strategies for Oklahoma Residents

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Courtesy Care Restoration, a leading water damage restoration company serving Oklahoma, has released comprehensive guidance to help homeowners protect their properties from winter-related water damage as temperatures continue to drop across the state.

The company's latest educational initiative addresses the increasing need for winter preparedness as Oklahoma experiences temperature fluctuations that can cause significant damage to residential plumbing systems and home exteriors. With over 40 years of experience in restoration services, the company has compiled essential strategies based on common winter damage patterns observed throughout their service areas.

"Oklahoma winters present unique challenges for homeowners, particularly when temperatures fluctuate around the freezing point," said Allen Birk, spokesperson for Courtesy Care Restoration. "We see a significant increase in water damage claims during winter months, and most of these incidents are preventable with proper preparation and maintenance."

The comprehensive guidance covers multiple aspects of winter home protection, starting with pipe insulation strategies. Exposed pipes in attics, crawl spaces, and exterior walls require special attention before temperatures drop. The company recommends installing foam insulation on vulnerable pipes and disconnecting outdoor faucets to prevent freeze-related bursts.

Exterior maintenance plays a crucial role in preventing water intrusion during winter months. Gutters and downspouts require thorough cleaning to ensure proper drainage of melting snow and ice. Roof inspections help identify potential weak points before winter weather exacerbates existing issues. Additionally, checking window and door seals prevents moisture infiltration that can lead to interior damage and mold growth.

Indoor prevention measures focus on maintaining consistent temperatures throughout the home and allowing faucets to drip during extreme cold snaps. These simple steps help maintain water flow and reduce pressure buildup in pipes that could lead to ruptures.

"When you take time to winterize your home properly, you significantly reduce the risk of experiencing costly water damage," Birk explained. "Emergency situations still occur, but preparation dramatically decreases both the likelihood and severity of winter-related water incidents."

The company emphasizes the importance of emergency preparedness, including knowing the location of the main water shutoff valve and maintaining a list of emergency contacts for restoration services. Quick response times during water damage events minimize structural damage and reduce the risk of mold growth.

Temperature monitoring remains critical throughout the winter season. Different temperature ranges require varying levels of vigilance, from basic precautions above 32 degrees Fahrenheit to intensive protection measures when temperatures drop below 20 degrees.

Courtesy Care Restoration provides comprehensive water damage restoration services throughout Oklahoma, including Coffeyville, Collinsville, Grove, Independence, Nowata, Owasso, Pawhuska, Sand Springs, and Vinita. As a locally owned and operated company, they maintain IICRC certification and continue to educate staff on the latest restoration best practices. The company offers 24-hour emergency response services and works directly with insurance providers to streamline the claims process for affected homeowners.

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