

Your roof was damaged by Hurricane Michael, so what now?

Rebuild Stronger.

Your roof provides the first line of defense against the elements and an IBHS FORTIFIED roof provides better protection against severe weather.

WHAT IS FORTIFIED?

FORTIFIED Home™ is a nationally recognized building method based on more than 20 years of scientific research and real-world testing by the non-profit Insurance Institute for Business & Home Safety (IBHS). FORTIFIED goes beyond building codes by upgrading key details to improve performance against natural hazards and reducing the risk of personal property losses.

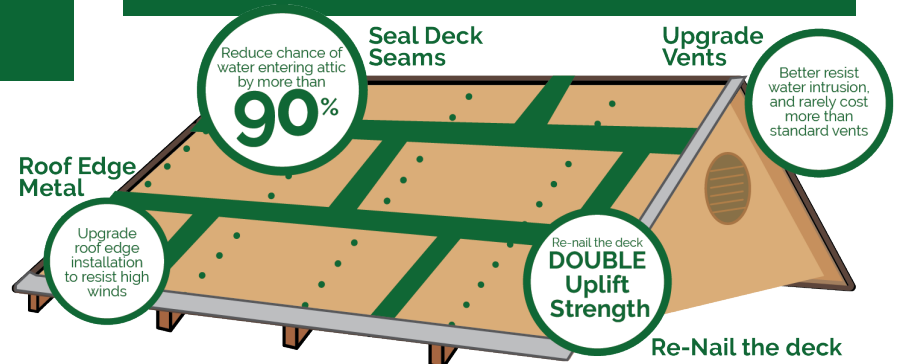
WHY FORTIFIED?

- A FORTIFIED roof helps protect your home and personal property from potentially devastating winds and wind-driven rain
- A FORTIFIED roof may reduce or eliminate the amount of time spent out of your home due to water intrusion when the roof is damaged
- Often the most common roof damage is avoidable by working with your roofer to pay attention to critical details
- A FORTIFIED roof designation may qualify you for annual wind mitigation credit that could lower your insurance premium. Check with your insurance agent for specific policy requirements and potential wind mitigation credits in your area.

HOW DO I GET A FORTIFIED ROOF?

- Obtain estimates from roofer(s) on (1) the cost of a typical roof replacement and (2) the cost to upgrade to a FORTIFIED Roof. You can then decide whether a FORTIFIED Bronze upgrade is right for you. This roof replacement checklist (<http://bit.ly/fortified-roof-checklist>) will help your roofer know what upgrades are needed to qualify for a FORTIFIED Bronze designation.
- It is not a requirement to hire a roofer who has completed FORTIFIED Wise – Roofer training but check the FORTIFIED Directory at fortified.archtest.com/listing for an updated list of trained roofers. This checklist (disastersafety.org/roofs/hiring-a-professional-contractor/) will also help you hire a quality roofer.
- Select a certified FORTIFIED Evaluator from the approved FORTIFIED Directory at fortified.archtest.com/listing. The Evaluator is more than an “inspector” for the project. They take pictures, collect information, and upload documentation to the FORTIFIED review team at IBHS. They also consult with the builder/roofer and the FORTIFIED review team on how to best meet FORTIFIED requirements.
- IBHS will review your repair documentation submitted by your FORTIFIED Evaluator, and if compliant, you will receive a FORTIFIED Home—Bronze designation certificate.

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