

# THE MOST COMMON FLAT ROOFING MISTAKES—AND HOW TO AVOID THEM



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Flat roofs are a popular choice for both commercial buildings and modern residential homes. Their sleek design, accessibility, and potential for usable space make them an attractive option. However, flat roofs require specific care and attention, and when they're overlooked, mistakes can be costly.

Below, we break down the most common flat roofing mistakes property owners make and, more importantly, how to avoid them.

## PROPERTY OWNERS MOST COMMON MISTAKES

### Ignoring Regular Maintenance:

Neglecting your Duro-Last flat roof maintenance and inspection can allow minor issues like debris buildup or punctures to go unnoticed and unresolved, eventually leading to water intrusion and interior damage.

### How to Avoid:

- Schedule inspections at least twice a year—ideally in the spring and fall—and after major storms.
- Report signs of water intrusion or drainage issues to your roofing contractor as soon as they arise.

### DIY Repairs Without Expertise:

Performing DIY repairs on your flat roof system, especially Duro-Last can void your warranty coverages, mask underlying issues and can cause more significant damage if materials used are incompatible with your roof type.

### How to Avoid:

- Always hire a certified roofing contractor who specializes in flat roofs.
- Don't delay professional repairs!
- Know what type of roof you have and select the appropriate contractor to ensure repair methods are done right the first time around!

### Delaying Replacement:

As with any roof system a flat roof also has a projected lifespan. Trying to extend the life of a failing roof can result in higher repair or replacement costs and in some instances, widespread interior damage.

### How to Avoid:

- Know the age and condition of your roof.
- Budget for replacement before failure.
- Get professional routine inspections to monitor when repairs are no longer enough.

### Selecting an Inexperienced Contractor:

Not all roofers specialize in flat systems. Choosing a contractor without proper flat roofing experience often results in improper installation or the absence of details that can lead to premature failure.

### How to Avoid:

- Hire a licensed, insured contractor who specializes in flat roofing.
- Check reviews, request references, and confirm they use quality, warrantied materials.
- Don't base your decision solely on price; quality workmanship saves money in the long run.



## PROTECT YOUR INVESTMENT- START WITH A TRUSTED ROOFING EXPERT

Flat roofs offer durability and efficiency when properly installed and maintained, but the absence of care can lead to costly repairs down the line. By avoiding these common pitfalls and working with a trusted roofing professional, you can ensure your roof performs at its best for years to come.

Ready to get started? Contact us today to schedule your free roof inspection or consultation. Whether you're planning a new project or need expert maintenance, our team is here to help you protect what matters most—your property.

When you choose Duro-Last, you're not just choosing a product – you're choosing a system designed for long-term performance. Every part is made to work together. Every square foot is built with quality in mind, and every project is backed by industry-leading warranties.



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