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KICKOUT

Water leaking between a gutter and the siding on a sidewall of a home can cause significant damage if not corrected. The problem can occur where a sidewall meets up with a roof and gutter in which one section of the home has a higher roofline. This is common on two story homes adjacent to garages, around chimneys, over front porches and a number of other locations. Water can leak between the gutter and siding. This can cause damage to the siding. In extreme scenarios it can damage interior walls, moisture and mold buildup on insulation, and even damage flooring if not corrected.



Typical location where a kickout is installed.



Close-up view showing where water can seep between the gutter and siding.

The simplest way to divert the water away from the siding, chimney or other location is to cut a piece of “L” shaped drip edge with tin snips. We recommend a minimum of 4 inches, however longer sections are easier to install as they allow for more surface area under the shingle. You can cut the kickout in a variety of shapes to fit your specific configuration. Below are a few photos of drip edge being cut and installed. The drip edge costs approximately \$3.00 for 10 feet. It cuts easily with tin snips and can be slid under the first shingle tab. After the first hot day, the tar under the shingle should self-seal to the drip edge; if it does not and the drip edge comes loose you can use roofing tar to secure it in place.



Water staining, prior to any significant damage.



Damage to the interior flooring. The wall behind also showed significant damage.



Damage to a chimney with flashing installed.



Chimney kickout installed.



Overlapping roof location.



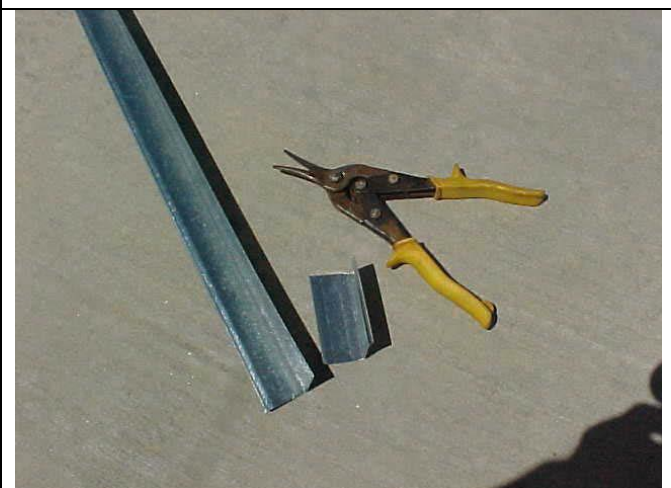
Overlap kickout installed.



Typical kickout location with a higher roof line.



Higher roof line kickout installed.



Tin snips used to cut "L" flashing.



Notch cut in flashing to fit under overlapping siding.