

# TOP 5 SIGNS YOUR GUTTERS NEED SERVICE

Your gutters are one of the hardest-working systems on your home, but they often get overlooked until there's a problem. Spotting early warning signs can prevent costly repairs and protect your home from water damage.

Here are the **top five signs** it's time for a cleaning, repair, or inspection.

## 1. Overflowing Water During Rain

If water spills over the edges instead of flowing through the downspouts, your gutters are likely clogged with leaves, debris, or shingle grit. Overflow is one of the biggest causes of siding and foundation damage.

## 2. Sagging or Pulling Away

Gutters should sit tight against the fascia. If they're sagging, bowing, or pulling away, they may be:

- Full of heavy debris
- Improperly pitched
- Damaged at the hangers

This can lead to complete gutter failure if ignored.

## 3. Water Stains on Siding or Fascia

Dark streaks or staining under the gutters indicate water is escaping where it shouldn't. This is often a sign of:

- Leaks
- Overflow
- Improper sealing

Left untreated, it can rot wood and damage your home's exterior.

## 4. Pools of Water Around the Foundation

Water collecting near your home is a major red flag. It means your gutters or downspouts aren't directing water far enough away. This can lead to:

- Foundation cracks
- Basement leaks
- Soil erosion

## 5. Plants or Moss Growing in the Gutters

If you see green growth, your gutters have been holding moisture and debris for too long. This can trap water, add weight, and accelerate gutter deterioration.

## ★ When to Take Action

If you notice **any** of these signs, schedule service as soon as possible. Early maintenance prevents:

- Water damage
- Structural issues
- Expensive repairs

Most homes benefit from **twice-a-year cleanings** plus inspections after major storms.

