The life of a roof depends on local weather conditions, building and design, material quality, and adequate maintenance. Hot climates drastically reduce asphalt shingle life. Roofs in areas that experience severe weather, such as hail, tornadoes and/or hurricanes may also experience a shorter-than-normal lifespan overall or may incur isolated damage that requires repair in order to ensure the service life of the surrounding roofing materials.

| ROOFING | YEARS |
|--|-----------|
| Aluminum Coating | 2 to 6 |
| Asbestos Shakes | 30 to 50+ |
| Asphalt Shingles (3-tab) | 10 to 12 |
| Asphalt (architectural) | 15 to 20 |
| BUR (built-up roofing) | 5 to 15 |
| Clay/Concrete | 80+ |
| Coal and Tar | 18 |
| Copper | 50+ |
| EPDM (ethylene propylene diene monomer) Rubber | 10 to 15 |
| Fiber Cement | 18 |
| Green (vegetation-covered) | 5 to 20 |
| Metal | 17 to 20 |
| Modified Bitumen | 10 |
| Simulated Slate | 10 to 25 |
| Slate | 50+ |
| TPO | 10 to 12 |
| Wood | 25 |

Exterior siding materials typically last a lifetime. Some exterior components may require protection through appropriate paints or sealants, as well as regular maintenance. Also, while well-maintained and undamaged flashing can last a long time, it is their connections that tend to fail, so seasonal inspection and maintenance are strongly recommended.

| SIDINGS, FLASHING & ACCESSORIES | YEARS |
|---|-----------|
| Aluminum Siding | 20 to 35 |
| Aluminum Gutters, Downspouts, Soffit and Fascia | 15 to 35+ |
| Asbestos Shingle | 20 |
| Brick | 80+ |
| Cementitious | 80+ |
| Copper Downspouts | 80 |
| Copper Gutters | 40+ |
| Engineered Wood | 80+ |
| Fiber Cement | 75+ |
| Galvanized Steel Gutters/Downspouts | 15 |
| Manufactured Stone | 80+ |
| Stone | 80+ |
| Stucco/EIFS | 25+ |
| Trim | 18 |
| Vinyl Siding | 50 |
| Vinyl Gutters and Downspouts | 20+ |
| Wood/Exterior Shutters | 15 |