

Understanding Wind Mitigation: Protecting Your Property from Wind Damage

High winds can be destructive and cause significant damage to properties; a key consideration in protecting your property is wind mitigation. Wind mitigation is the proactive practice of fortifying structures to withstand the devastating effects of high winds.

Understanding wind mitigation features and ensuring they are present in your property can significantly reduce your risk. A Florida licensed inspector can complete a wind mitigation inspection that may apply discounts to your insurance policy.

Wind mitigation features verified in an inspection:

- Roofing materials and coverings that are rated to resist high winds and water intrusion
- Attachments for walls and roofs that are specially designed to prevent the roof from being blown off by severe winds
- Roof and building shapes that are more resistant to high winds
- Doors and windows designed to withstand wind pressure and projectiles
- Storm shutters or panels that protect your windows and other openings from wind, rain, and projectiles

Contacting a local insurance agent for more information and personalized advice is recommended. They can help you understand how wind mitigation can impact your policy and provide guidance on the specific features of your property that enhance its resilience against wind damage.