

FIRE SAFE ROOFING ORDINANCE



Class A Roofing Required in the City of Colorado Springs

The roof is the most vulnerable part of a house during a wildfire.

The City's Class A roofing ordinance 02-174 dated January 1, 2003, outlines the types of roofing products that can be used. The ordinance states that after January 1, 2003, a Class A roof covering (excluding solid wood roofing products) shall be installed on all **residential occupancies** for **new construction, re-roofing, and repairs greater than 25% of the total roof area**. A minimum Class B roof covering shall be installed on all remaining occupancies (not to replace Class A where already required by Table 15-A; 1997 UBC) at the time a permitted roofing or re-roofing application is made within the limits of the City of Colorado Springs, Colorado.

Installing a New Roof

A statement regarding this ordinance is printed on every permit for new and replacement residential roofing, and the following notice appears when permits are requested online:

By submitting this request for a roofing permit, I hereby agree, as the authorized applicant, to use only Class A roofing materials for new and replacement roofing of residential structures within the city limits of Colorado Springs, per City Ordinance 02-174.

For more details on engineering requirements and installation standards, visit the Pikes Peak Regional Building Department (PPRBD) website at www.pprbd.org/contfiles/BldgRoofing.pdf. For more information, call PPRBD at (719) 327-2880.

Types of Class A Roofing Products

Typical Class A roofing products include, but are not limited to the following types:

- Asphalt Shingles
- Stone-coated Metal
- Metal
- Concrete (standard weight and lightweight)
- Clay Tile
- Synthetic
- Slate
- Hybrid Composite