

FREE SIDING GUIDE

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Siding Damage & Repair Guide

A free guide for Columbus homeowners from Richards Siding.

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This free guide is provided by Richards Siding, your local Siding team serving Columbus and the surrounding area. Below is everything you need to know - and if you'd rather just talk to a person, call us at (866) 758-0793 for a free, no-obligation assessment.

Damaged siding is more than cosmetic - gaps and cracks let moisture into your walls, leading to rot and mold. Catching it early keeps repairs small.

Warning signs

- Cracks, holes, or pieces that have come loose after wind.
- Warping, bubbling, or buckling panels (often a moisture or heat sign).
- Fading, chalky residue, or peeling paint on the siding surface.
- Soft spots, mold, or mildew - and rising heating/cooling bills, which can signal failing insulation behind the siding.

Repair or replace?

Isolated cracks or a few damaged panels are usually a repair. Consider full replacement when damage is widespread, when moisture has reached the sheathing, or when siding is near the end of its life and repairs are becoming frequent. Replacing also lets you upgrade insulation and curb appeal at once.

Why prompt action matters

Water behind siding works silently. By the time you see interior damage, rot or mold may already have set in. Sealing and repairing breaches early protects the structure and avoids far costlier work later.

When to call a pro

If you see moisture intrusion, soft sheathing, or damage across multiple areas, have a professional inspect. They can match materials, repair correctly, and confirm whether the underlying wall is dry.

Talk to a local Siding pro

Every home is different. For honest advice or a free quote in Columbus, reach out to Richards Siding at (866) 758-0793 - we're glad to help.