

ASA Insurance Warns People to Prepare for Winter

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SALT LAKE CITY, UTAH, USA, November 20, 2014 /EINPresswire.com/ -- With much of the country experiencing early signs of winter, homeowners should be prepared. This is the warning [ASA Insurance](#) is giving to policyholders and anyone who owns a home. Winter is especially hard on homes and can cost owners thousands of dollars in damage even those with [home insurance in Salt Lake City](#). Homeowners should take the time to prepare their homes for the coming winter months and lessen the impact that frigid weather and extreme snowfall could have.

Some of the issues that come with the winter weather includes roof damage due to the heavy weight of large amounts of snowfall and water damage due to frozen and bursting water pipes. In addition, slips and falls from visitors to homes in icy or snowy weather could impact the liability portion of a homeowner's policy. Many of these problems can be prevented by planning ahead of time. For instance, purchasing enough ice-melting compounds to cover driveways and sidewalks through a storm can prevent falls and injuries.

To protect the house through a winter storm, make sure the gutters are cleaned out beforehand. Use a rake or other tool to remove as much snow from the roof as possible without standing on it. Seal around windows and doors to prevent cold air from coming in. Ensure the temperature in the rooms where pipes are located stay well above freezing. Remember that pipes along an outside wall are more susceptible. When going on vacation, keep the thermostat turned up so the pipes don't freeze.

Fire is another danger during the winter for homes with wood heaters and fireplaces. Before using the heat source, the chimney should be inspected by a professional and cleaned if necessary. Smoke detectors should be installed and working and a fire extinguisher on hand. Furnace filters need to be cleaned or replaced before the first use in the fall.



ASA Insurance provides competitive auto insurance rates in the Salt Lake City area.

“Taking out a few moments to prepare their homes for winter can save policyholders a lot of money, not to mention the hassle of dealing with damage and filing a claim,” advises Creed Anderson of ASA Insurance. “We’re here to help them file a claim if necessary, but we’re also here to help them avoid one.”

That is one reason ASA Insurance recommends that homeowners hire professionals if they are not DIY people. A trusted professional can ensure that all of the systems are in working order or make repairs before they cause serious damage.

If damage does occur and the homeowners have home insurance in Salt Lake City, they need to contact their agents quickly to file claims. Repair work can begin sooner to prevent further damage or other complications. This also true for stores and companies that have [business insurance](#) in Salt Lake City to prevent or reduce loss of income due to weather-related damages.

ASA Insurance provides home insurance in Salt Lake City along with business insurance for companies of all sizes. The agency has been involved in the insurance industry since 1950 to ensure that customers enjoy excellent customer service and the right coverage for their needs.

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