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KUHL CASE #16

Kickout Flashing Installation in Minneapolis

What is a Kickout Flashing and Why Do I Need One?

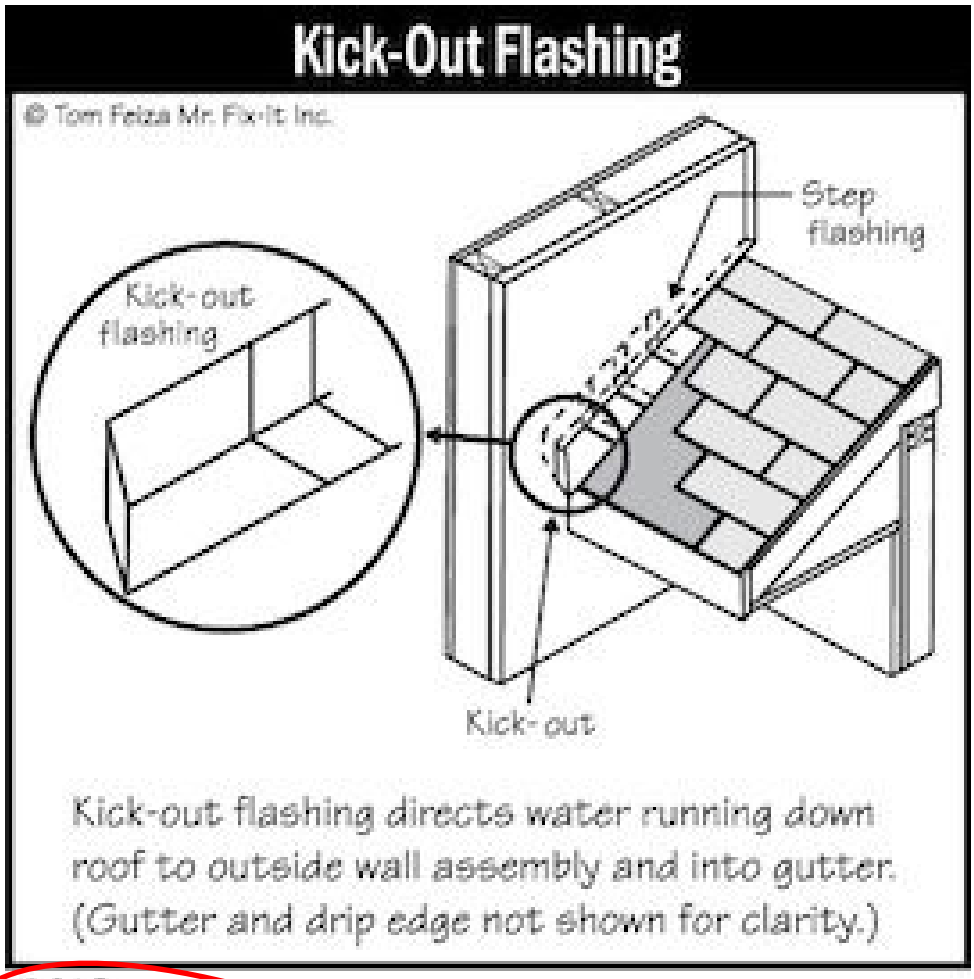
The Problem

You have just had your home inspected and someone says you need kickout flashings. Sounds simple except what exactly is a kickout flashing and what does it do?

Samples of kickout flashings. Top, a kickout flashing installed in a cedar shingle sidewall. Below, a kickout installed in a stucco wall. Notice that one drains into a gutter and the other doesn't. Both are common in Minneapolis homes.

Kickout flashings

Required by Minnesota Building Code, the purpose of a kickout flashing is to direct water off your roof and away from the exterior wall of your home. Depending on your siding and the construction of your home, installing kickout flashings ranges from quite simple to a bit of a challenge. A correctly installed kickout flashing will be installed under the roofing and behind the siding and may require more than one tradesman (as in the case of stucco homes, for example).



Here is a sample of a kickout flashing installed into an existing stucco wall, under a new cedar shake roof in Minnetonka, Minnesota. It is possible to use a ultrasonic saw to carefully kerf into an existing stucco wall in a way that allows one to insert a kickout flashing under certain circumstances. Other times we need to remove stucco and patch the area after the kickout is installed.