

## Inspector Secrets - Kick Out Flashings

Most roof flashings are typically metals that we use at transitions, intersections and penetrations - areas where roofing materials simply cannot be installed in such a way as to make a water proof installation such as around a skylight, a chimney, or where a roof meets a wall.



The roof to wall intersection often has a missed flashing detail called a Kick Out flashing. This is the very last metal flashing detail above the gutter where it meets the wall. On the left you can see the water marks below the gutter end, a clear indication of a missing Kick Out flashing.

On the right one can also see water draining behind the siding. The garage was unfinished allowing an unobstructed view of what was occurring.



This is what a kick out flashing looks like. Notice the "dog ear" which will direct water into the gutter instead of behind the wall.

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