

Shopping for Homeowners Insurance Company/Policy Comparison Worksheet

Use this worksheet to help you gather information about insurance companies and the homeowners insurance policies they sell. Visit www.HelpInsure.com to get general information about companies, including complaint indexes, financial ratings, sample rate estimates, coverage comparisons, and available discounts. Call companies directly for a rate quote. If you have questions about insurance, call the **Texas Department of Insurance (TDI) Consumer Help Line** at 1-800-252-3439 or visit our website at www.tdi.state.tx.us.

COMPANY NAME →				
Telephone number				
Financial rating				
Consumer complaint index				
Company licensed (Yes/No)				
Type of policy (HO-A, HO-A amended, HO-B, etc.)				
Replacement cost or actual cash value				
Deductible				
Discounts offered				
Annual premium				
COVERAGE COMPARISON <i>(Coverages vary by policy. Make sure you get the coverages you need!)</i>				
POLICY COVERS DAMAGE FROM (Yes/No) ...	Fire and lightning			
	Windstorm and hail			
	Explosion			
	Smoke			
	Sudden and accidental leaking from plumbing, heating, air conditioning			
	Rain through damaged roof, windows, doors			
	Backup of sewers, drains			
	Freezing of plumbing or heating system			
	Mold and/or mold remediation			
	Falling objects, including trees			
	Weight of ice, sleet, snow			
	Vehicles			
	Animals			
	Construction defects			
Vandalism, malicious mischief				
OTHER	Damage to foundation or slab			
	Collapse of building			
	Glass breakage-dwelling			

Homeowners policies typically do not cover damage from floods. The National Flood Insurance Program provides flood insurance in many areas. For more information or to find an agent near you, visit <http://www.floodsmart.gov>.

If you live in one of the 14 counties along the Texas coast or certain parts of Harris County, your policy will likely exclude windstorm coverage. You will need to purchase wind and hail coverage separately from the Texas Windstorm Insurance Association. Visit www.twia.org.

Help us prevent insurance fraud. To report fraud, call the TDI toll-free Fraud Hot Line at **1-888-327-8818**.