



# ASPHALT SHINGLES VS. METAL ROOFING

## WHICH IS BETTER FOR NORTHEAST OHIO HOMES?

COST • LIFESPAN • SNOW PERFORMANCE • MAINTENANCE • LONG-TERM VALUE

| ASPHALT SHINGLES                   | FEATURE                                                                                                    | METAL ROOFING                      |
|------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 20–25 years                        |  TYPICAL LIFESPAN IN OHIO | 40–70 years                        |
| Lower                              |  UPFRONT COST             | Higher<br>(often 2–3x asphalt)     |
| Holds snow; more prone to ice dams |  SNOW & ICE PERFORMANCE  | Sheds snow faster; fewer ice dams  |
| Heavier per square                 |  WEIGHT                 | Lighter per square                 |
| Seal strip needs warmth to bond    |  WINTER INSTALLATION    | Can be installed in colder weather |
| Neighborhood-standard look         |  RESALE APPEAL          | Higher perceived long-term value   |



### QUICK ANSWER

Asphalt shingles usually win on upfront cost and neighborhood look. Metal roofing costs more at install, but it sheds snow better, resists ice dams better, and can last two to three times longer.



### BEST CHOICE IF...



#### ASPHALT SHINGLES

Best if you want lower upfront cost, a traditional neighborhood look, or plan to sell in 5–10 years.



#### METAL ROOFING

Best if you plan to stay 15+ years, want less winter maintenance, and prefer a long-lasting roof.



#### OHIO WINTER REALITY:

Freeze-thaw cycles and lake-effect snow are hard on roofs. Proper ventilation and insulation matter no matter which material you choose.



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