

From Green Vista Roofing --

In 1930 there was a new shingle, the **T-lock**. Some say they were the original **Thunderstorm Shingle** able to withstand the high winds that occur during storms, others say it was because they are shaped like a T and they interlock. In their time they were a state of the art! However, as asphalt prices increased, fillers were added and the shingles became thinner, more brittle and less capable of living up to their name. They were widely used from **New Mexico, Colorado** and into **Wyoming** and other areas where **high winds** are normal.

When **architectural shingles** came into being the use of t-locks lessened greatly to the point that it was no longer cost-effective to manufacture them. **Tamko** was the last manufacturer in our area to offer them and they quit making them in 2004-2005.



Example of Wind Damage



Hail Damage May 26th 2013



Hail damage close May 26th

Why does this matter to YOU?

If you have a **t-lock shingle roof** on your home, I highly recommend that you have **qualified roofer** inspect for storm damage. If there is any damage at all, you will most certainly qualify for a new roof. While insurance companies are not in business to write checks for a free roof we currently have no option but for full replacement as repair is NOT an option. We are seeing insurance companies adding policy riders to home owners policies, refusing to continue coverage on these roofs moving forward. Please be aware that your ability to address storm damage on your current T-LOCK roof is a window that is soon closing.

With the recent **high winds** and **hail storms** in our area, almost every roof with T-locks will qualify for a new roof with An upgrade to an **architectural style shingle** is standard insurance practice and required by local ordinance codes. Architectural shingles typically carry a lifetime warranty and are wind rated up to 110mph (**T-locks have a 25 year warranty and 70mph wind rating**).

At **Green Vista Roofing** we are experts at representing our home owners in insurance negotiation and storm work/roofing repair and full roof replacement. Our local references are excellent and available on request.

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