



# Getting you back on track after a wind/hail storm

### A quick overview of what you can expect following a wind/hail storm

#### The storm caused damage to my vehicle; what should I do?

If you're in a safe place, take a quick look around your car. Are any of the tires flat, are there broken windows, or is it making funny sounds when it's running? In other words, is it still driveable? If there is debris on the vehicle or you're unsure about how safe it may be to drive, please move to step one and call us.

# **Step One** – Report your claim:

Please note a storm is defined as a tornado only if Environment Canada confirms it as such. Otherwise, it is considered a wind storm.

You can report your claim to Intact Insurance by calling our 24 hour claims line: **1-866-464-2424**, or by calling your insurance broker (the person you purchased your insurance from). If your vehicle is not driveable because of the storm, you should call in your claim. This will allow you to speak directly with a claims representative who can help advise you and get your claim started right away.

Try to have your policy number handy when you call. If you don't have it, we can look you up by name.

# **Step Two – Get the details:**

If you have comprehensive coverage, your claims representative will go over the claims process with you and will provide you with their contact information and your claim number. They will tell you what will happen next and how we'll get it done.

# **Please Remember**

Even after your claim is settled and paid, you can always call your claims representative if you have questions or concerns.

#### **Claims Number**

1-866-464-2424

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Your claims representative will arrange to have an Intact Insurance appraiser complete an appraisal on your vehicle. During storms where there are a large number of claims, we may set up an appraisal and repair centre in the affected area. In this case, you will be given an appointment time to bring your vehicle to the centre for an appraisal.

If you can't make it to one of our centres for the appraisal, or no centre has been established, your claims representative will make arrangements to have your vehicle looked at.

During the appraisal process, your appraiser will confirm and clarify your coverage. If they find damage to your vehicle, they will complete a repair estimate which will determine if your vehicle is "repairable" or "non-repairable".

## **Step Four – Getting you back to normal:**

Once coverage has been confirmed and we have the estimate from the appraiser, we will discuss your settlement options with you. Options are different for repairable and non-repairable vehicles:

#### Repairable -

- 1. Repair using an Intact Insurance Rely Network® Vendor: We can arrange to have repairs completed by our Rely vendors. Repairs completed by Rely vendors are covered by our Rely Guarantee. We generally also have rental vehicle companies at any repair facilities we establish, so when you drop off your vehicle you can leave in a rental. Coverage for rental vehicle is subject to having Loss of Use coverage on your auto policy; your claims representative will review your coverage with you and let you know if your policy covers a rental vehicle.
- 2. Choose your own Repair Facility: Already know where you'd like to have your vehicle repaired? We will pay the shop of your choice per our appraisal.
- 3. Take a Cash Settlement: If you don't want to repair your vehicle, you can elect to take a cash settlement which will be made payable directly to you and any lien holders on the vehicle. The amount of the settlement will be for the cash value of the repair estimate and will not include the allowance given for things like profit and overhead, taxes, and trade expertise. Your adjuster will discuss the details of the cash settlement with you.

**Non-Repairable** – If your vehicle is deemed to be non-repairable, it means the amount to repair it is close to, or exceeds, its value. When this happens, the appraiser will determine the vehicle to be a "Total Loss" and your claim will be sent to our Total Loss Team where it will be assigned to a total loss expediter.

The total loss expediter will obtain a market valuation for your vehicle and once received, they will call you to discuss the settlement amount.

Be sure to ask your adjuster if you carry Loss of Use coverage. If you do, your adjuster will arrange a rental for you for the duration of time it takes to repair your vehicle (according to the limits you have on your policy). If your vehicle is non-repairable, your adjuster will arrange for you to have a rental vehicle until you are offered a Total Loss settlement.

We will do everything we can to get you back on track as quickly as possible. We know that after a storm like this, repair resources can be stretched in the affected area and the wait to get repairs done might be long. By setting up appraisal and repair facilities and working with our Rely Network, we hope to minimize the wait times as much as possible.



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