

How to Weather Proof Your Commercial Facility for the Upcoming Heat



Ready or not, the summer months are creeping up on us. For some of us, summer means preparing your hotel for the influx of vacationing guests or perhaps getting your retail store ready for the big summer blowout sales. But it also means making sure your commercial building is ready for plenty of warmer days as well. While popsicles in the break room freezer are an excellent touch, we're talking about taking the time to make sure your facility is fit to withstand the higher temperatures. By taking key commercial building maintenance precautions, you will save your company from costly repairs down the line, and ensure your team, customers, and clients stay comfortable and safe. Avoid any warm-weather headaches and read on to see how to protect your commercial facility before the temperatures rise!



Here are the top 3 ways to weather proof your commercial facility for the upcoming heat:

1. Properly seal all entry doors

Summer is a better time than any to make sure all entry doors and windows are properly weather-proofed. By maintaining the weatherseals and entrance door thresholds, you will be saving your business money by preventing up to 98.5% of air infiltration. This means keeping heat from escaping during the winter months and keeping the cool air in during summer, which leads to happy and comfortable visitors and employees, less energy waste, and protects the integrity of your HVAC system.

Properly sealed windows and doors also stop potential pests from invading your commercial building, which could lead to disruptive and costly pest management services. Make sure to conduct a thorough inspection of windows and doors leading to the outside of your property to ensure all potential entry points are sealed. Even the smallest holes, gaps, or cracks could leave your commercial building vulnerable to costly repair and pest management services.

2. Maintain building ducts for efficient energy consumption

High temperatures can mean costly energy bills. And depending on the size of your commercial facility, you probably have experienced a few costly summers. But by monitoring and regularly maintaining your building's air ducts, you can maximize your commercial facility's overall energy consumption. Dirty and neglected indoor and outdoor coils in your HVAC system reduces your HVAC system's ability to cool your building, resulting in your system running longer, which increases energy costs and shortens the life of your equipment. Make sure your ducts are regularly cleaned and maintained to prevent unnecessary (and expensive) energy waste. Schedule routine maintenance services for your commercial facility with Calico Building Services today to help avoid these common-but-serious duct problems.

3. Schedule regular maintenance for your facility's roof

By properly maintaining your commercial property's roof, you can avoid the damage that comes with excessive UV rays and high humidity that accompanies warm weather. Intense UV rays can weaken the seals and bonds in your roof, and if you haven't kept up with routine roof maintenance checks, this could result in long-term damage. Certain roofing materials can also swell in the heat and later, shrink, which causes additional stress and strain. In some states that experience high summer humidity, your commercial building roofs are susceptible to rot and mold growth, which thrive in humid environments. Your roof is an investment; make sure it's protected. Schedule routine roof maintenance checks with Calico before temperatures skyrocket.

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