

Gutter Overflow Observation Sheet

Observe from inside or a safe sheltered ground-level position. Do not use ladders during a storm. Stay away from lightning, moving water, and overhead wires. This sheet records symptoms; it does not diagnose the cause.

Date / approximate time: _____ Property: _____

1. WHERE DID WATER SPILL?

Name the side of the house and nearest landmark. Was it one joint, one corner, behind the gutter, or along a run? Add photo or video filenames.

2. WHEN DID IT START?

Did overflow begin immediately or after rain continued? Note whether the downspout was visibly discharging. Leave uncertain observations marked unknown.

3. WHAT CHANGED RECENTLY?

Record cleaning, repairs, roof work, moved extensions, or new symptoms. Include approximate dates and whether the change affected the overflow.

4. WHERE DID THE WATER GO?

Describe the discharge point and visible pooling, splash marks, or soil washout. Note any indoor water symptoms separately and arrange prompt help for active leaks.

Questions for the assessment

What evidence supports the cause? Is cleaning, a targeted repair, or replacement proposed? Which runs, joints, outlets, downspouts, fascia work, and discharge components are included? What remains uncertain?

Next step / contractor questions: _____

Full guide: raptorroofing.com/gutters-overflow-heavy-rain-indiana/
