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**WICHITA, KAN.** – Has your home been damaged by a spring storm? Make sure that any contractor you hire is properly licensed for the job. All roofing repairs must be performed by a properly registered contractor and only after the contractor has applied for a permit. In Kansas, all roofers must be registered with the Roofing Registration Unit of the Kansas Attorney General's Office. In Sedgwick County the Metropolitan Area Building and Construction Department (MABCD) issues permits and licenses for contractors and inspects roofs to verify they were properly installed and repaired. To verify that the roofer that you are dealing with is in good standing it's as simple as going to https://www.ag.ks.gov/in-your-corner-kansas/resources/roofer-search to search the contractor by name or registration number.

When hiring a roofing contractor don't be afraid to ask the roofer for proof they are properly licensed, registered and will obtain a permit. Don't agree to pay for work that has yet to be finished. Cutting corners could result in your roof not being properly repaired and could leave you unable to insure your roof. Make sure to ask for the roofing registration number and proof the contractor obtained a permit before you give them any money or let them start work. Always make sure the contract is in writing and that you know you are dealing with a registered roofer.

This reminder is brought to you by the Office of the District Attorney's Consumer Protection Division. If you believe you need help with a consumer protection issue, please do not hesitate to contact our office email at consumer@sedgwick.gov or by phone at 316-660-3653.

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