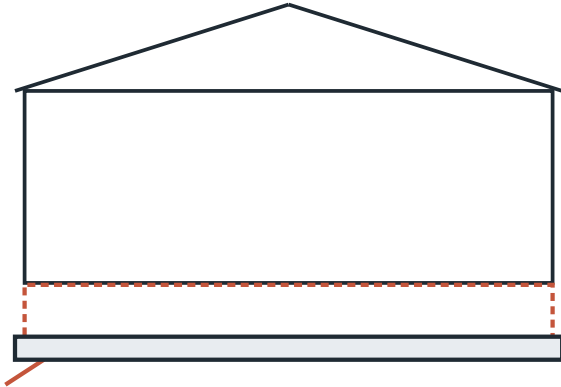


Home Earthquake & Storm Risk Checklist

A plain-language self-check to spot the weak points worth asking a contractor about.

Before: unbolted



After: bolted & braced

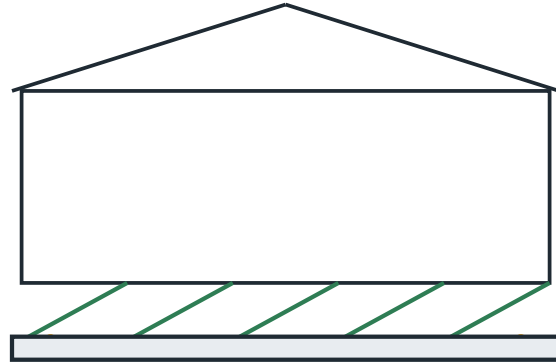


Illustration only. Whether a specific retrofit is right for your home can only be confirmed by a licensed contractor or engineer after an on-site assessment.

How to use this checklist

- Walk around and under your home with this list in hand.
- Tick anything that sounds like your home. This is general guidance, not an inspection.
- Any ticks? It is worth getting a free assessment from a licensed contractor.

What you are looking for

- An older home on a raised foundation with a crawl space.
- A garage or open room under living space (a 'soft story').
- An unreinforced masonry chimney.
- A water heater that is not strapped to the wall.
- No record that the home was ever bolted, braced, or tied down.

Checklist

- Home built before the 1980s
- Raised foundation with a crawl space underneath
- House frame not bolted to the foundation
- Short 'cripple' walls in the crawl space, not braced with plywood
- Garage or carport under a bedroom or living room

- Unreinforced brick or masonry chimney
- Water heater not strapped top and bottom
- Located in an earthquake, hurricane, or high-wind area
- Roof and walls not tied together with metal connectors
- No retrofit or seismic upgrade on record

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