

- 1 Close all windows and doors, especially large doors like garage or patio doors.
- 2 Put garden furniture in a garage or shed, or bring it inside and close washing line poles or take them down.
- 3 Check that TV aerials and satellite dishes are securely fastened and secure cables and electric wires.
- 4 Clear leaves and debris from gutters and clear drains to make sure rain water can flow freely into them.



## TIPS TO PROTECT YOUR HOME FROM STORMS

- 5 Check there are no loose roof slates or loose coverings on sheds.
- 6 Secure fences, repair garden walls and fix any gates that do not close firmly so they are not damaged further by wind.
- 7 Park cars in a garage or away from trees, fences and garden walls.
- 8 Remove dead tree branches and check trees for root and branch damage.
- 9 During the storm, stay indoors and do not go outside to try and repair damage.