

Pull out your current property policy and check the box next to each feature you can confirm it includes — anything unchecked is worth a quick conversation with your advisor.

STANDARD

OFTEN LIMITED

IF NEEDED

— Standard: should be included · Often limited: frequently sublimited, excluded, or optional · If needed: depends on your operations

POLICY FEATURE	WHAT TO CONFIRM	PRIORITY
☐ Replacement Cost Valuation	Pays to rebuild at today's cost, without deducting depreciation.	STANDARD
☐ Agreed Value / Coinsurance Waiver	Removes the coinsurance penalty that reduces claims when values are set too low.	OFTEN LIMITED
☐ Business Income with Extended Period	Covers lost income for a realistic shutdown, plus time to rebuild customers after reopening.	STANDARD
☐ Ordinance or Law	Covers the added cost of meeting current building codes after a loss — often excluded or limited.	OFTEN LIMITED
☐ Equipment Breakdown	Covers sudden breakdown of HVAC, electrical, boilers, and machinery.	OFTEN LIMITED
☐ Wind / Hail Deductible	Confirm whether it is a flat amount or a percentage of building value — percentage deductibles can be large.	OFTEN LIMITED
☐ Flood & Earthquake	Excluded from standard property — must be added or bought separately.	IF NEEDED
☐ Utility Service Interruption & Spoilage	Covers losses when off-site power or utilities fail, including spoiled food or inventory.	IF NEEDED

COMMON GAP IN THIS COVERAGE

The most commonly missed gap in this coverage is underinsurance. When building values lag today's rebuilding costs, coinsurance penalties reduce every claim and limits run out before the building is rebuilt. Owners should update values with a replacement-cost appraisal, ask about an agreed-value endorsement, and confirm ordinance-or-law coverage for code upgrades.

IMPORTANT — PLEASE READ

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