

# ■ Fall Home Maintenance Checklist

As cooler weather approaches, a few simple maintenance tasks can help protect your home and keep it running efficiently. Use this checklist to prepare your home for fall and ensure everything is ready before winter sets in.

## ■ Clean Gutters & Inspect Roof

- Remove leaves and debris from gutters and downspouts.
- Check shingles for cracks or damage.
- Inspect flashing and seal around vents or chimneys.

## ■■ Seal Air Leaks & Insulate

- Check windows and doors for drafts.
- Apply caulk or weatherstripping as needed.
- Add insulation in the attic or crawl spaces.

## ■ Service Your Heating System

- Replace furnace filters.
- Schedule an HVAC inspection or tune-up.
- Test your thermostat for proper operation.

## ■ Check Fireplace & Chimney

- Have your chimney professionally cleaned.
- Inspect the damper and flue for obstructions.
- Stock dry, seasoned firewood.

## ■ Protect Plumbing

- Disconnect and drain outdoor hoses.
- Insulate exterior faucets and exposed pipes.
- Know where your main water shutoff valve is located.

## ■ Prep Yard & Outdoor Spaces

- Trim back trees and shrubs away from the roofline.
- Rake and remove fallen leaves.
- Store outdoor furniture and equipment.

## ■ Test Smoke & CO Detectors

- Replace batteries in all detectors.
- Test devices to confirm proper function.
- Install new detectors where needed.

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