

Seasonal Maintenance Checklist

| Foundation – Masonry – Exterior | Spring | Fall | As Needed |
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| Check foundation walls, floors, concrete and masonry for cracking, heaving or deterioration | • | • | • |
| Check chimneys for loose, deteriorated or missing mortar | • | • | |
| Check grading | • | | |
| Check grading for proper slope away from foundation walls | | | • |
| Check basement and crawl space for moisture or leakage after wet weather | • | | |
| Check all wood surfaces for weathering and paint failure or deterioration | • | | |
| Check all decks, patios, porch stairs and railings for loose members and deterioration | • | | |
| Check eaves troughs | • | • | |
| Check walkway for trip hazards | | | • |
| Checks foundation and attic vent screens for damage | • | | |
| Roofs | | | |
| Check for any missing, loose or damaged shingles | • | | |
| Check for open seams, blisters or bald areas on flat roofs | • | | |
| Clean gutter, strainers and downspouts. Make sure downspouts divert water away from foundation walls | | | • |
| Check for any evidence of water penetration in attic and ceilings after wet weather | • | | |
| Check flashings around all vents, skylights and other openings | • | • | • |
| Trim back all tree limbs and vegetation away from home | | • | |
| Check pre-fabricated chimneys for rust | • | | |
| Check fascia and soffits for deterioration and damage | • | | |
| Doors and Windows | | | |
| Check for loose or missing glazing putty | | • | |
| Check caulking for deterioration of all openings and joints between wood and masonry | | • | |
| Check weather-stripping | | • | |
| Check for broken glass and damaged or missing screens | | | • |
| Check all window and door hardware | • | | |

| Plumbing | Spring | Fall | As Needed |
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| Check all faucets, hose bibs and supply valves for leakage | | | • |
| Check for evidence of leaks around & under sinks, showers, toilets & tubs | | | • |
| Check water heater for leaks and corrosion | • | | |
| Check lawn sprinkler system for leaky valves, exposed lines and winterize | • | | |
| Have the septic tank cleaned every two years | | | • |
| Have well water tested and checked for safety | • | • | |
| Winterize any exterior plumbing connections | | • | |
| Know the location of the main water shut-off valve | | | • |
| Heating and Cooling | | | |
| Clean or change furnace filters every three months of operation | | | • |
| Lubricate fan and motor bearings | | • | |
| Check fan belt tension | | • | |
| For steam checks, check shut-off valve for leaks and drain low water cut-off per manufacturer's instructions | | • | • |
| Keep area clean around heating and cooling equipment | | | • |
| Check Fireplace and wood stove flue every six months | | | • |
| Have systems serviced annually | | | • |
| Electrical | | | |
| Periodically check exposed wiring and cable. Replace at first sign of wear and damage | | | • |
| Check all lamp cords, extension cords and plugs for wear and damage | | | • |
| Trip circuit breakers every six months | | | • |
| Learn the location of electrical service panels and label each circuit | | | • |
| Check arc fault interrupters every six months | | | • |
| If a fuse blows, circuit breakers trip frequently or any appliance sparks or shorts out, contact a licensed electrician for repairs | | | • |
| Interior | | | |
| Check ceilings and surfaces around windows for evidence of moisture during wet weather | | | • |
| Check all tile joints for adequate grout and seal all grout lines | • | | |
| Check caulking around showers, bathtubs, sinks and toilet base | • | | |
| Check ceiling areas beneath bathroom for leakage | | | • |
| Check all stairs and railings for any loose members | | | • |
| Test all smoke alarms periodically per manufacturer's instructions and replace batteries twice a year | | | • |
| Check dryer vents | | | • |
| Check all fire and safety systems regularly | | | • |
| Know the location of all gas shut-off valves and label accordingly | | | • |