

Yearly Home Maintenance Checklist

January

- Check gutters for ice & icicles
- Clean behind refrigerator & stove
- Inspect fire extinguishers
- Change HVAC filter every 30-60 days
- Deep clean oven

February

- Test smoke detectors monthly
- Check caulking in bathroom & kitchen
- Ensure outside railings & steps are secure
- Check and clean range hood filter
- Inspect humidifier for maintenance

March

- Touch up exterior paint as needed
- Check all gutter downspouts
- Replace batteries in smoke detector
- Have trees pruned/trimmed
- Purge & declutter

April

- Have air conditioner serviced
- Clean gutters of leaves & debris
- Check brick/siding/exterior for damage
- Test garage door auto reverse
- Check for proper grading around exterior

May

- Run water & flush toilets in all bathrooms
- Have septic system cleaned & serviced
- Pressure wash deck/siding/outdoor areas
- Reseal or stain deck
- Switch ceiling fans to counterclockwise

June

- Check basement for water intrusion
- Clean garbage disposal (monthly)
- Vacuum registers & vents
- Clean inside & outside windows
- Defrost/clean out refrigerator & freezer

July

- Flush out water heater
- Test GFCI outlets
- Have roof inspected
- Check driveway for cracks
- Tighten loose door handles/knobs

August

- Clean gutters of leaves & debris
- Test sump pump
- Clean outdoor grill
- Have carpet professionally cleaned
- Check attic for water intrusion

September

- Replace batteries in smoke detector
- Lubricate any squeaky door hinges
- Replace caulking around windows
- Inspect fence for any needed repairs
- Tighten loose nails/screws on deck

October

- Remove hoses from outside spigots
- Reverse ceiling fans (clockwise)
- Check attic for insulation
- Have furnace serviced
- Winterize outdoor lawn equipment

November

- Shut off supply for exterior spigots
- Clean and cover outdoor furniture
- Test smoke detectors (monthly)
- Have fireplace inspected & cleaned
- Practice emergency escape plan

December

- Have dryer vent cleaned or replaced
- Run water & flush toilets in bathrooms
- Change HVAC filter every 30-60 days
- Clean faucets and remove buildup
- Inspect all weather stripping