

SEASONAL HOME CARE GUIDE

Spring Home Maintenance Checklist

Spring is the perfect time to tackle the home maintenance tasks you've been putting off during the cold winter months. This checklist walks you through the essential areas of your home that need attention, so everything is in tip-top shape for the warmer months ahead.

01 Plumbing System

Task: Check for leaks in faucets, shower heads, and pipes.

TOOLS & SUPPLIES

Wrench, plumber's tape

SAFETY

Shut off the water supply before working on plumbing fixtures.

STEPS

- ☐ Inspect all faucets and shower heads for drips or leaks.
- ☐ If you find a leak, try tightening the fixture with a wrench. If that doesn't work, remove the fixture, apply plumber's tape to the threads, and reattach it.

02 Roof

Task: Examine the roof for any signs of damage.

TOOLS & SUPPLIES

Ladder, binoculars

SAFETY

Use a sturdy ladder and have someone spot you. Do not walk on the roof; use binoculars to get a close look at the shingles.

STEPS

- ☐ Look for missing, cracked, or curling shingles and have them replaced as needed.
- ☐ Check for rust on metal areas, especially around the chimney.

03 Gutters

Task: Clean out gutters and downspouts.

TOOLS & SUPPLIES

Ladder, gutter scoop or small plastic shovel, garden hose

SAFETY

Use a sturdy ladder and have someone spot you. Wear gloves to protect your hands from sharp debris and bugs.

STEPS

- ☐ Remove leaves and other debris from the gutters using a scoop or small shovel.
- ☐ Flush the gutters and downspouts with a garden hose and check for leaks.

04 Windows & Doors

Task: Check seals around windows and doors.

TOOLS & SUPPLIES

Silicone-based caulk, caulk gun

SAFETY

Be careful when using a ladder to reach high windows.

STEPS

- ☐ Inspect the sealant around each window and door for cracks or gaps.
- ☐ Fill any gaps with silicone-based caulk to prevent air leaks and improve energy efficiency.

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05 Outdoor Spaces

Task: Clean and prepare outdoor spaces.

TOOLS & SUPPLIES

Pressure washer or hose, outdoor furniture cleaner, stain or paint (if needed)

SAFETY

Wear protective clothing when using a pressure washer.

STEPS

- ☐ Remove any debris from your decks, patios, or porches.
- ☐ Wash surfaces with a pressure washer or hose and outdoor cleaner.
- ☐ If necessary, apply a new coat of stain or paint to decks and fences.

06 Safety Devices

Task: Test all safety devices.

TOOLS & SUPPLIES

New batteries

SAFETY

Follow the manufacturer's instructions for testing smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.

STEPS

- ☐ Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors to make sure they are working properly.
- ☐ Replace batteries if needed.

07 Landscaping

Task: Prune trees and shrubs.

TOOLS & SUPPLIES

Pruning shears, garden gloves

SAFETY

Wear gloves to protect your hands, and be careful when pruning large branches. Leave branches near power lines to your utility company or a professional.

STEPS

- ☐ Trim any branches that are too close to your house or obstructing walkways.
- ☐ Cut back shrubs to promote healthy growth.

This checklist should help you maintain your home and prepare it for the warmer months. Remember, a well-maintained home is more enjoyable to live in and can keep small issues from turning into costly repairs.

**Contact our team to schedule an
annual maintenance inspection today!**

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