



# FALL HOME MAINTENANCE



## Exterior Maintenance

### Clean Gutters

- Remove Debris
- Flush with a Hose
- Clear Downspouts
- Add Gutter Guards

### Check Roof & Chimney

- Look for Shingle Damage
- Inspect Flashing
- Examine Chimney Masonry
- Call a Professional

### Seal Windows & Doors

- Test for & Seal Drafts
- Apply Weatherstripping
- Use Exterior Caulk

## Yard & Outdoor Preparation

### Lawn & Garden Prep

- Clean Up Leaves
- Mow & Fertilize the Lawn
- Prune Shrubs and Trees
- Plant Bulbs for Spring

### Drain Water Sources

- Turn Off Outdoor Valves
- Drain Faucets and Hoses
- Empty Irrigation Lines
- Insulate Exposed Pipes

### Store Furniture & Tools

- Clean and Dry Items
- Cover or Store Furniture
- Store Garden Tools

## Interior Maintenance & Preparation

### Service Heating Systems

- Replace Furnace Filters
- Schedule Professional Service
- Check Vents and Radiators

### Test Alarms & Detectors

- Test Smoke Detectors & Alarms
- Replace Batteries
- Check Expiration Dates

### Inspect Fireplaces

- Hire a Chimney Sweep
- Inspect the Fireplace
- Review Safety Gear

## Final Touches for Comfort & Safety

### Reverse Fans & Check Insulation

- Reverse Ceiling Fans
- Inspect Attic Insulation
- Insulate Exposed Plumbing

### Prepare for Power Outages

- Gather Flashlights and Lanterns
- Restock Emergency Supplies
- Test Backup Generators

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