

Home Maintenance: The Complete Checklist

<u>Monthly</u>		
 □ Test smoke detectors □ Deep cleaning □ Inspect fire extinguishers □ Clean garbage disposal □ Unclog drains □ Clean the range hood and filter □ Replace HVAC filters (every 3 months) 		
<u>Spring</u>		
 □ Wash outside windows and siding □ Clean gutters and downspouts □ Pump the septic tank (if you have one) □ Inspect roof and chimney for any damage or leaks □ Service air conditioning system □ Apply pre-emergent to lawn □ Re-seal the deck, fence, and other outdoor woodwork □ Inspect driveway and other exterior concrete pathways □ Inspect your sprinkler heads, test the irrigation system □ Spray for mosquitos and other bugs □ Repair damaged screen doors and windows □ Sharpen lawnmower blades 		
<u>Summer</u>		
□ Clean the grill and refill propane tank□ Mulch garden beds□ Exterior paint touchups		
☐ Inspect and clean dryer vent		
□ Clean refrigerator coils		
☐ Clean bathroom vent fans		
☐ Test your home alarm		
☐ Sanitize trash and recycle bin		
□ Fertilize the lawn		

<u>Fall</u>		
	Service heating system Schedule a chimney sweep Put outdoor furniture and grill into storage Seal cracks on windows and doors Turn off outdoor water Winterize sprinkler system Rake leaves Clean gutters and downspouts Overseed and aerate the lawn	
	Ensure pipes are well insulated	
□ Check attic vents Winter		
	Prepare for a storm (water, nonperishables, batteries, flashlights etc.) Protect entryways (mats, weather stripping) Check insulation and add to areas that need more Protect your AC unit with a piece of plywood Insulate hot water tank Purchase a humidifier Secure steps and handrails Install storm windows and doors Remove window screens Set heat to 55 or higher	