

Annual Home Maintenance Checklist

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Most expensive home repairs start as cheap maintenance nobody did. Do these 4 tasks at the start of each month - most take under 30 minutes.

January

- ☐ Test smoke & CO detectors
- ☐ Check furnace filter (replace if dirty)
- ☐ Inspect attic for ice dams / leaks
- ☐ Reverse ceiling fans to clockwise

February

- ☐ Clean range hood filter
- ☐ Check water heater for leaks
- ☐ Test GFCI outlets
- ☐ Inspect caulking around tubs/sinks

March

- ☐ Service AC before summer
- ☐ Clean gutters & downspouts
- ☐ Inspect roof for winter damage
- ☐ Test sump pump

April

- ☐ Check exterior paint / siding
- ☐ Inspect driveway & walkways
- ☐ Service lawn equipment
- ☐ Clean dryer vent

May

- ☐ Check window screens
- ☐ Inspect deck / fence for rot
- ☐ Test irrigation system
- ☐ Clean outdoor AC condenser

June

- ☐ Check attic ventilation
- ☐ Inspect plumbing for leaks
- ☐ Test garage door auto-reverse
- ☐ Clean kitchen exhaust fan

July

- ☐ Check water pressure
- ☐ Inspect foundation for cracks
- ☐ Clean garbage disposal
- ☐ Trim trees away from house

August

- ☐ Check weatherstripping
- ☐ Inspect chimney (before fall)
- ☐ Flush water heater sediment
- ☐ Test all door locks

September

- ☐ Service furnace before winter
- ☐ Clean gutters again
- ☐ Check fireplace / flue
- ☐ Drain outdoor faucets

October

- ☐ Check attic insulation
- ☐ Test heating system
- ☐ Seal gaps around windows/doors
- ☐ Store hoses, shut off exterior water

November

- ☐ Check smoke detectors again
- ☐ Inspect roof before snow
- ☐ Clean humidifier
- ☐ Check pipes in unheated areas

December

- ☐ Check furnace filter
- ☐ Test CO detectors
- ☐ Inspect holiday light cords
- ☐ Check basement for moisture