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MONTH

HOME MAINTENANCE

Checklist¹



MONTHLY

- ☐ **HVAC Filters:** Check and replace air filters to ensure efficient airflow.
- ☐ **Plumbing:** Inspect for leaks around sinks and toilets to prevent water damage.
- ☐ **Grout & Caulking:** Touch up any cracks in tubs and showers to avoid seepage.
- ☐ **Kitchen Vent:** Clean or replace the range hood filter to maintain airflow quality.

SEASONAL: SPRING

- ☐ **HVAC Tune-Up:** Schedule a professional check-up before the cooling season begins.
- ☐ **Roof Inspection:** Look for damage from winter weather; consider professional help.
- ☐ **Exterior Cleaning:** Wash exterior windows, siding, and walkways.
- ☐ **Driveways & Sidewalks:** Repair cracks to maintain safety and appearance.

SEASONAL: SUMMER

- ☐ **Outdoor HVAC Units:** Trim vegetation around units for better airflow.
- ☐ **Decks & Siding:** Clean and inspect for wear; reseal if necessary.
- ☐ **Foundation & Crawlspace:** Check for cracks and moisture issues.
- ☐ **Lawn Irrigation:** Test systems for leaks and efficiency.
- ☐ **Ceiling Fans:** Change to counterclockwise to circulate cooler air.

SEASONAL: FALL

- ☐ **Gutters:** Clean to prevent blocks and ice dams.
- ☐ **Roof Inspection:** Inspect for damage and repair as needed; consider professional help.
- ☐ **Windows & Doors:** Seal gaps to improve energy efficiency.
- ☐ **Furnace:** Replace filters and schedule a professional inspection.
- ☐ **Fireplace & Chimney:** Clean and inspect for safe operation.

SEASONAL: WINTER

- ☐ **Pipes:** Insulate to help prevent freezing.
- ☐ **Smoke & Carbon Monoxide Detectors:** Test and replace batteries.
- ☐ **Outdoor Faucets:** Disconnect hoses and drain systems to prevent freeze damage.
- ☐ **Ceiling Fans:** Change to clockwise to circulate warmer air.

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- ☐ **Dryer Vents:** Clean to reduce fire risk.
- ☐ **Water Heater:** Drain to remove sediment buildup.
- ☐ **Garage Doors:** Lubricate springs and inspect for proper operation.
- ☐ **Fire Extinguishers:** Inspect pressure gauges and replace if necessary.
- ☐ **Septic Systems:** Inspect and pump as needed.



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1. Source. HSH, <https://www.hsh.com/homeowner/home-maintenance-checklist.html>

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