

HOME INSPECTION



CHECKLIST



WINTER

Make sure any firewood stored outdoors is at least 20 feet away from your home's foundation.

Familiarize responsible family members with the location and operation of the main gas valve and other appliance valves.



Make sure that the caulking or weatherstripping around the windows and doors is adequate to keep down your heating costs.

Make sure all electrical holiday decorations have tight connections.

Clean the kitchen exhaust hood and air filter.

Test all GFCI devices.



Check your water heater for rust, leaks, and other issues.

Check your fire extinguishers and replace, if necessary.

SPRING



Check your home for water leaks.



Check for damage to your roof.

Check all the fascia and trim for deterioration.

Replace all extension cords that have become brittle, worn, or damaged.



Check all window and door locks.

Check your children's backyard play equipment for safety issues.

Check the nightlights at the top and bottom of all stairways.

Check the exterior siding.

Check your wood deck or concrete patio for deterioration.

Devise and practice an emergency escape plan with your family.



FALL

Clean the gutters and downspouts.

Protect your home from frozen pipes.

Blow out your lawn irrigation system.

Replace window screens with storm windows.

Test your emergency generator.

Run all gas-powered lawn equipment until the fuel is gone.

