



Fall and Winter Homecare Checklist

- Have the forced-air heating system inspected by a professional
- Have my fireplace professionally inspected/cleaned before use
- Seal cracks and gaps in windows and doors with caulk or weather stripping; replace if necessary
- Inspect roofing for missing, loose, or damaged shingles and leaks
- Remove leaves from gutters
- Drain/Winterize any exterior plumbing, including hoses and in-ground sprinkler systems
- Replace the batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- Wrap insulation around outdoor faucets and pipes in unheated garages
- Check the water heater for leaks
- Cover my air-conditioning unit
- Check the basement for leaks during thaws
- Stock up on sidewalk salt and ice melt