

# FALL HOME MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

## SEASONAL PRIORITIES



- Clean and repair gutters and downspouts
- Check, disconnect, and cover or insulate outdoor faucets
- Seal and inspect windows and doors
- Clean fireplace and chimney
- Set ceiling fans to spin clockwise
- Have a professional inspect the HVAC system
- Change HVAC filter

## INTERIOR AND APPLIANCES



- Prepare and insulate pipes
- Have water heater professionally inspected
- Clean dryer vents
- Deep clean carpets
- Have sump pump professionally inspected
- Update the entryway to help protect floors and walls from damage by adding a boot scraper, slip-proof mat, etc.

## EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS



- Watch out for fall home improvement scams
- Make or update emergency kit and emergency plan
- Check fire extinguishers and smoke and carbon monoxide detectors

## YARD AND LAWN



- Clear brush and debris away from home
- Check and disconnect garden hoses
- Drain and prepare sprinkler system for winter
- Store outdoor furniture and unused yard equipment

## STRUCTURE AND FOUNDATION



- Inspect your roof
- Check the attic
- Inspect exterior lighting
- Repair driveway, walkways, and exterior supports
- Inspect siding and outside walls and seal any potential entry areas