

Healthy Home Maintenance Annual Checklist

YARD & EXTERIOR

- Water drains away from house
- No trip, fall, choking, sharp edge hazards
- Fence intact
- Check for signs of rodents, bats, termites, ants/beetles, and hives
- Drain outdoor faucets and hoses
- Wash windows inside & out and clean window wells and check drainage
- Clean gutters and downspouts
- Touch up peeling or damaged paint
- Remove debris and dead plants, fertilize lawn and prune trees and shrubs

APPLIANCES

- Clean kitchen range hood screens
- Clean dryer vents and screens
- Clean exhaust fan outlets and screens
- Clean outdoor air intakes and screens
- Clean air conditioning coils, drain pans
- Clean and tune furnaces, boilers, hot water heaters
- Clean and tune ovens and ranges
- Clean refrigerator inside and out, including coils

EXTERIOR ROOF, WALLS AND WINDOWS

- Shingles in good condition
- Check chimney, valley, plumbing vent, skylight flashing
- Make sure gutters discharge water away from building
- Check attic vents
- Check attic for signs of roof leaks
- Check for icicles and ice dams
- Look for peeling paint, and repaint or touch up peeling or damaged paint
- Look for signs of leaks where deck attaches to house
- Check below window & door that flashing intact
- Repair broken, cracked glass
- Look for signs of leaks at window and door sills
- Clean dryer vent
- Check exhaust ducts are clear

INTERIOR WALLS, CEILINGS, WINDOWS, DOORS

- Check for signs of water damage
- Check operation of windows and doors
- Lubricate and repair windows and doors
- Tighten loose hinges and doorknobs
- Clean kitchen and bathroom cabinets
- Tighten loosened cabinet door and drawer hinges and knobs
- Steam clean carpets and flooring

BASEMENT, GARAGE, CRAWLSPACE & ATTIC

- Check for signs of rodents, bats, ants/beetles, termites
- No wet surfaces, puddles
- Floor drain working
- Sump pump and check valve working
- Vacuum basement surfaces
- Check for water damage
- Ensure insulation in place
- Check ductwork connections
- Proper operation of garage door shut-off

PLUMBING FIXTURES AND APPLIANCES

- Check washer hoses – connections
- Check dishwasher hoses for leaks
- Check toilet supply/shut-off valves
- Clean & check refrigerator drip pan/icemaker connections
- Check shower-tub surrounds for signs of damage
- Check traps and drains under sinks, tubs and showers for leaks
- Check hot water heater for leaks
- Check boiler for leaks
- Check water main/meter or well pump for leaks or sweating
- Check septic tank
- Check drain and supply line for leaks
- Check bath and kitchen faucets fans operation