

# Fall

## Home Maintenance Schedule

The changing seasons bring excitement and important seasonal maintenance tasks that can get forgotten. With weather starting to cool, keep these important home maintenance jobs top of mind:

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- Check windows and doors for air leaks to save on your heating bill.
- Clean window wells of debris.
- Winterize outdoor irrigation.
- Have furnace serviced if needed.
- Clean chimney if needed.
- Rake and remove all leaves from the yard.
- Disconnect garden hose and ensure no water remains in it.
- Cut back perennials.
- Deep clean your home.
- Check exterior paint for any cracks or peeling.
- Schedule your holiday lighting installation to avoid the rush and get ahead of the game!
- Continue your mosquito control service while temperatures remain above 50 degrees to ensure a protected backyard.

### Quarterly

- Check fire extinguisher expiration dates.
- Test garage door auto-reverse feature.
- Check water softener (if applicable).
- Check GFCI outlets.
- Service generator (if applicable).
- Inspect and change furnace filters.
- Inspect exterior accent lighting.

### Biannually (twice a year)

- Flush hot water heater and remove sediment.
- Check batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Operate the water heater relief valve and ensure water flows from overflow valve.
- Test sump pump for proper operation.
- Replace refrigerator water filter.
- Check for excess lint behind your dryer and schedule a dryer vent cleaning.

Use this checklist to get in a seasonal home maintenance routine that keeps your home in great shape. Just remember to do what works best for you. If you need a helping hand, contact any of the Neighborly home service brands for results you can trust.