

# Spring

## Home Maintenance Checklist

With warm weather in full swing in most areas, our Neighborly® brands offer great tips to help you prepare and spruce up your home's indoor and outdoor spaces. Consider these tips for repairing, maintaining, and enhancing your home this Spring:

### Indoor

- Clean refrigerator coils to improve refrigeration efficiency.
- Replace your HVAC air filters every 30 to 90 days when in use.
- Remove unpleasant odors from your dishwasher by emptying and cleaning the food trap.
- Inspect air ducts for buildup of mold, allergens or debris and cleaned if needed.
- Watch for a noticeable decrease in water pressure as it could indicate an underground water leak.
- Have an electrical service professional check your home for loose connections or faulty/outdated wiring.
- Have your home's indoor air quality tested.
- Have your dryer vent professionally inspected and cleaned.
- Clean windows, both inside and outside, so you can clearly see the beautiful colors outside.
- Deep clean your home, focusing on bedrooms, bathrooms, and the kitchen.
- Check for moisture in the basement and crawl spaces and correct leaks if found.
- Look out for obstructions in your dryer vents, including socks, undergarments, dryer sheets, and bird, rat or other rodent nests.
- Eliminate dust, dirt and bacteria from hard surfaces with a microfiber towel or mophead.
- Check caulking around doors and windows for damage or wear and replace if needed.
- Transform your kitchen with a fresh coat of paint on your kitchen cabinets.
- Replace your shower door to improve the look of your home's bathroom.
- Install a smart, programmable thermostat to regulate your home's temperature.
- Fit your pantry and kitchen cabinets with storage solutions that free up space, offer convenience, and protect food.

### Outdoor

- Test sump pump to make sure it's operating properly ahead of flooding.
- Inspect and prepare your outdoor kitchen appliances for grilling season.
- Check your garage door functionality and schedule a tune up if needed.
- Pressure wash your home's exterior, deck furniture, driveways and walkways.
- Prevent pests by beginning a mosquito and tick control service.
- Trim and prune landscape bushes and trees that may cause damage to your home's exterior.
- If you own rental properties, provide tenants a little extra storage space to help attract and retain quality tenants.
- Check outdoor sprinkler heads for damage or leakage and verify watering schedule on your control panel.
- Inspect wooden decks, railings, windowsills and steps for rot or insect damage.
- Replace or repair any damaged windows or door screens before summer heat hits.
- Repaint or re-stain your decks or fences for an immediate facelift.
- Protect your vehicle from the sun's harmful UV rays with window tint.

