

Fall

Home Maintenance Checklist

The changing seasons bring excitement and important seasonal maintenance tasks that can get forgotten. When school starts and Labor Day comes, keep these important home maintenance jobs top of mind:

Inside the House

- Deep clean your home.
- Check fire extinguisher expiration dates.
- Check water softener (if applicable).
- Inspect and change furnace filters.
- Flush your hot water heater to remove sediment.
- Check batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Operate the water heater relief valve and ensure water flows from the overflow valve.
- Test your sump pump for proper operation.
- Replace refrigerator water filter.
- Check for excess lint behind your dryer and schedule a dryer vent cleaning.

Outside the House

- Check windows and doors for air leaks to save on your heating bill.
- Clean window wells of debris.
- Winterize outdoor irrigation.
- Have your furnace serviced if needed.
- Clean your chimney if needed.
- Rake and remove all leaves from the yard.
- Disconnect the garden hose and ensure no water remains in it.
- Cut back perennials.
- Check exterior paint for any cracks or peeling.
- Inspect exterior accent lighting.
- 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.

Use this seasonal home maintenance checklist to help keep 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.