

# Fall Maintenance Checklist

## Outside

- Bring plants indoors
- Trim trees, bushes and perennials
- Plant spring bulbs
- Wash outdoor rugs before storing
- Clean grill and cover and/or store
- Clean patio furniture before covering or storing
- Remove hoses from outdoor spigots, turn off outdoor valves and empty sprinkler systems
- Cut down and remove dead trees and hanging tree branches
- Clean gutters and downspouts
- Fertilize and reseed your lawn
- Wash your windows
- Winterize all powered lawn equipment
- Inspect and repair snow blower before first use, plus purchase ice melt
- Rake and remove fallen leaves
- Clear out any leaves or debris from basement window well covers and inspect windows for cracks or leaks
- Remove all soil from unused pots and planters kept outdoors

## Inside

- Replace your furnace filter and have a professional inspect it
- Remove or cover window A/C units
- Weatherize your home
- Check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors
- Set thermostat for cooler weather
- Clean your fireplace and chimney, plus inspect for damage. Be sure you are stocked up on firewood!
- Reverse your fan, by turning clockwise the warm air will circulate down
- Clean your carpets
- Change air filters
- Insulate exposed water pipes to keep them from freezing
- Have gas fireplace and gas lines inspected.
- Drain your hot water heater and remove any sediment which could clog pipes.
- Clean dryer vent
- Clean and set up humidifier
- Bleed radiators



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