



## EXTERIOR FALL MAINTENANCE

### AIR CONDITIONING UNITS & HEAT PUMPS

Cleaning and wrapping exterior and window AC units to protect them from winter weather may extend their life. Removing window units, wrapping the unit and storing them is a good practice. Cleaning the exterior surface of heat pumps will allow greater efficiency.

### ROOF CHECK, GUTTERS, DOWNSPOUTS & SPLASHBLOCKS

A home's roof is its first protection from the elements. Checking the roof for missing shingles can prevent a leak or a mishap with snow and ice forming where a shingle has blown away. Clean gutters, clear downspouts and well placed splash blocks will keep water from your foundation. Roofs more than 2 stories tall will be cleaned by a professional gutter cleaning service.

### CAULKING & MORTAR

Checking window and vent seals will allow caulking or mortar in places that will potential places for cold air leaks. Screens can be removed and stored to prevent winter damage.

### FOUNDATION VENT and FAUCET COVERS

Installing insulated foundation vent covers can keep the crawlspace warmer and the house easier to heat.

### DECKS, STAIRS & RAILINGS

Cleaning moss and grime from decks and stairs extend the life of the deck surface. Clean surfaces are less likely to be slippery with wet weather. New stain or sealer can preserve wood decks.

### TREES, BUSHES & WINTER LANDSCAPE

Trimming tree limbs that hang over the roof and gutters may minimize winter siding damage. Moving dirt and roots that against the foundation may minimize rot. Raking leaves, mowing the lawn followed by winter fertilizer and trimming plants can put the landscape to bed for the winter.

### SPRINKLER SYSTEMS

Flushing out water faucets and covering them with frost proof protectors can help prevent freezing. Rolling and storing hoses will extend hose life. Flushing out sprinkler systems can help minimize repairs.

### CHIMNEY CLEANING

Gorge Rentals schedules a professional chimney cleaning each fall to ensure the chimney is cleaned, the flu works well, bird nests are removed. Door caskets, chimney caps and mortar are checked at the same time.

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