

Summer Home Maintenance Checklist

Summer is officially here! Before you begin to enjoy time outdoors with friends and family, knock out these simple home maintenance tasks. This can save you money, make you more comfortable, and preserve the integrity and safety of your home.

Change ceiling fan direction to counterclockwise.

This will help cause a downdraft, creating a cool breeze.

Replace batteries in smoke and carbon monoxide alarms.

Experts recommend changing them every six months.

Free dryer vent of lint and dust.

A clogged vent can cause a house fire.

Replace AC filters.

Debris in your filter can obstruct air flow.

Prune shrubs around A/C unit.

This helps ensure proper air flow and your unit's performance.

Inspect the exterior for loose or rotted siding.

This is also a good time to power wash siding (carefully) to prevent mold build-up.

Treat outdoor space with barrier spray to minimize mosquitos

Clean gutters and downspouts so they are free of leaves and debris from storms.

Power wash and reseal your deck.

This can help prevent wood from splitting or cracking.

Clean outdoor furniture.

Pollen and dust have likely settled on it.

Check windows for leaks.

Caulk door and window seals to improve your home's energy efficiency.