

Fall Home and Garden Tips

Here are some TLC tips on how to help keep your home as fresh as new this fall season:

- Change furnace filter (Monthly).
- Check smoke and carbon monoxide detectors. (Change batteries yearly)
- Check heater for proper operation (don't wait until it gets cold).
- Clean gutters and downspouts.
- Inspect roof for damaged tiles (from a ladder – DO NOT walk on roof).
- Have carpet cleaned. (Refer to manufacture's recommendations)
- Inspect backsplash caulking and re-caulk as needed.
- Inspect shower and tub caulking and re-caulk as needed.
- Inspect dryer vent for lint and debris.
- Test alarm system (if applicable).
- Test GFI receptacles. (Outlets in wet areas i.e.: Bathroom, Kitchen, Laundry...)
- Test Fireplace operation (if using for 1st time – run for at least an hour)
- Test flu operation on wood-burning fireplaces.
- Flush out yard drains to clear debris.
- Clean out exterior window weep holes.
- Check plumbing connections.
- Pack dirt around fence posts to ensure stability.

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