

January

1. Change furnace filters (bi-monthly)
2. Test CO and Smoke Detectors
3. Deep Clean Basement

February

1. Clean and vacuum curtains
2. Check bathroom caulking

March

1. Vacuum refrigerator coils
2. Have carpets cleaned
3. Clean your gutters, downspouts, and roof valleys

April

1. Test your sump pump
2. Change oil and clean snowblower
3. Clean window weep holes

May

1. Test dehumidifier or purchase any necessary moisture absorbing chemicals (damprid)
2. Test run air conditioner or have annual checkup performed

June

1. Lube garage door springs and rollers
2. Repair your driveway or have it resurfaced

July

1. Fertilize lawn
2. Check water softener salt

August

1. Check window insulation
2. Have wood-burning fireplace/chimney inspected

September

1. Test run furnace or have annual checkup done
2. Check for damage to door sweeps and weather stripping
3. Clean car's battery terminals

October

1. Blow out sprinkler lines
2. Drain exterior hose bibbs
3. Clean dryer vent

November

1. Change oil in lawnmower, sharpen blade
2. Reverse ceiling fans
3. Protect A/C outdoor condensing unit or clean window units

December

1. Double-check your winter driving kit
2. Store any liquids in the garage in a warm space

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