

# SEASONAL *Home Checklist* – LET'S PREP FOR WINTER –

*"Winter is the time for comfort, for good food and warmth, for the touch of a friendly hand and for a talk beside the fire: it is the time for home."*

## INDOOR:

- ☐ **Don't Breathe in Dirty Air:** Remove the air supply grills and vacuum inside the ducts or hire a professional
- ☐ Test every smoke detector and carbon monoxide detector. Don't forget to change the batteries
- ☐ **Dirty Filters Are Not Fun:** Clean or change the furnace and humidifier filters. Do this once a month during the fall and winter. Help the units function more efficiently by doing this often
- ☐ **Avoiding Flooding:** Clean your sump pump. Take care of this task before the rainy season begins so your sump pump is prepared for the wet weather. How: <https://www.wikihow.com/Clean-out-a-Sump-Pit>
- ☐ Install Storm Windows & Store Screens
- ☐ **"The Fireside is Blazing Bright":** Have fireplace/chimney cleaned and inspected
- ☐ Check for moisture in the basement or crawl space
- ☐ Clean Dryer Vent
- ☐ Check Attic for signs of un-welcomed critters or moisture

## OUTDOOR:

- ☐ Winterize your irrigation system. Hire a contractor. Do this before the first freeze.
- ☐ Inspect the weather-stripping around all doors
- ☐ Avoid Clogged Gutters: Clean them out before more rainfall and heavy snow pile with leaves underneath
- ☐ Bring Hoses inside and shut off outdoor water valves
- ☐ Protect Your Exterior From Salt & Ice: Seal the exterior concrete. Make sure you seal the concrete when it's dry outside.
- ☐ Install a cover on your outdoor AC unit
- ☐ Trim branches & trees away from the roof/house
- ☐ Cut The Grass One Final Time Before The Snowfall
- ☐ Bring in outdoor ponds/accessories
- ☐ Empty out old pots and store in garage to avoid cracking from cold weather

## NEED CONTRACTOR/VENDOR RECOMMENDATIONS?

TEXT OR CALL OUR TEAM LINE: **586.500.5115** & WE WILL FORWARD YOU OUR GO-TO CONTRACTORS TO HELP YOU GET YOUR HOME PREPPED FOR WINTER.