

# Annual Home Maintenance Checklist

A practical 48-task printable checklist for monthly and seasonal home care.

## How to use this PDF

Check off tasks as you complete them. Use the online interactive version to save progress on your device, filter by season or home system, and review expanded safety guidance.

**Safety first:** Perform only observations and maintenance you can complete safely. Do not climb onto roofs, open electrical equipment, enter unsafe spaces, disturb suspected hazardous materials, or delay emergency assistance.

Interactive version: [homemaintenancetoday.com/annual-home-maintenance-checklist/](https://homemaintenancetoday.com/annual-home-maintenance-checklist/)

# Monthly Home Maintenance Checklist

Repeat these basic safety and observation checks throughout the year. Follow manufacturer instructions and adjust frequency for your home and equipment.

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## Test smoke alarms

Monthly - Interior - Safety

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## Test carbon monoxide alarms

Monthly - Interior - Safety

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## Check the HVAC filter

Monthly - Interior - HVAC

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## Look under sinks for moisture

Monthly - Interior - Plumbing

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## Check toilets for movement, running, or visible leaks

Monthly - Interior - Plumbing

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## Review visible walls and ceilings for new stains

Monthly - Interior - Observation

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## Check frequently used drains for slower drainage

Monthly - Interior - Plumbing

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## Walk around the exterior and note visible changes

Monthly - Exterior - Safety

## Homeowner Notes

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# Spring Home Maintenance Checklist

Review how the home handled winter, rainfall, temperature changes, and seasonal inactivity.

- ☐ **Observe visible roof surfaces and roof edges from the ground**  
Spring - Exterior - Roofing

- ☐ **Check gutters and downspout discharge**  
Spring - Exterior - Roofing and Drainage

- ☐ **Review ground slope and drainage near the home**  
Spring - Exterior - Drainage

- ☐ **Inspect visible exterior walls, trim, and penetrations**  
Spring - Exterior

- ☐ **Check window and door screens**  
Spring - Interior and Exterior

- ☐ **Inspect visible caulk and weather seals**  
Spring - Interior and Exterior

- ☐ **Start and observe the cooling system before peak heat**  
Spring - HVAC

- ☐ **Check outdoor faucets after winter**  
Spring - Exterior - Plumbing

- ☐ **Review decks, steps, railings, and walkways**  
Spring - Exterior - Safety

- ☐ **Check for visible pest entry points**  
Spring - Interior and Exterior

## Homeowner Notes

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# Summer Home Maintenance Checklist

Focus on cooling performance, indoor moisture, outdoor water use, vegetation, and weather exposure.

☐ **Monitor indoor humidity and persistent condensation**  
Summer - Interior - HVAC

☐ **Clean accessible bathroom exhaust grilles**  
Summer - Interior - Ventilation

☐ **Check visible air-conditioning condensate drainage**  
Summer - HVAC - Moisture

☐ **Inspect irrigation for overspray, pooling, or leaks**  
Summer - Exterior - Plumbing

☐ **Check accessible exterior wood for deterioration**  
Summer - Exterior

☐ **Observe unusual heat or comfort differences upstairs**  
Summer - Interior - HVAC

☐ **Visually check outdoor electrical covers and fixtures**  
Summer - Exterior - Safety

☐ **Check washing-machine hoses and accessible water connections**  
Summer - Interior - Plumbing

☐ **Review pool, spa, dock, or waterfront features when applicable**  
Summer - Exterior - Safety

☐ **Check for vegetation touching or crowding the home**  
Summer - Exterior

## Homeowner Notes

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# Fall Home Maintenance Checklist

Prepare drainage, heating, exterior surfaces, and walking areas for cooler weather and heavier rainfall.

- ☐ **Clear visible leaves and debris from drainage paths**  
Fall - Exterior - Drainage

- ☐ **Observe gutters and downspouts during rainfall**  
Fall - Exterior - Roofing and Drainage

- ☐ **Observe visible roof flashing and penetrations from the ground**  
Fall - Exterior - Roofing

- ☐ **Check exterior doors and weatherstripping**  
Fall - Interior and Exterior

- ☐ **Start and observe the heating system before cold weather**  
Fall - Interior - HVAC - Safety

- ☐ **Visually inspect fireplace and chimney areas**  
Fall - Interior and Exterior - Safety

- ☐ **Disconnect and protect seasonal hoses where freezing occurs**  
Fall - Exterior - Plumbing

- ☐ **Check exterior lighting and visible fixtures**  
Fall - Exterior - Safety

- ☐ **Review grading and low areas before winter weather**  
Fall - Exterior - Drainage

- ☐ **Review trees and branches near the home**  
Fall - Exterior - Safety

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# Winter Home Maintenance Checklist

Focus on heating, condensation, freezing conditions, storm-related moisture, and safe access.

- ☐ **Watch for frozen-pipe warning signs where freezing occurs**  
Winter - Interior - Plumbing - Climate Dependent

- ☐ **Check indoor humidity and window condensation**  
Winter - Interior - Moisture

- ☐ **Monitor heating performance and unusual system behavior**  
Winter - Interior - HVAC - Safety

- ☐ **Keep exterior vents and equipment visibly clear**  
Winter - Exterior - HVAC - Safety

- ☐ **Check for roof or ceiling moisture after storms**  
Winter - Interior and Exterior - Roofing

- ☐ **Review generator safety before use when applicable**  
Winter - Exterior - Safety

- ☐ **Observe exterior drainage during thawing or heavy rain**  
Winter - Exterior - Drainage

- ☐ **Check unused rooms for moisture or temperature problems**  
Winter - Interior - Observation

- ☐ **Inspect entry steps and walkways for movement or hazards**  
Winter - Exterior - Safety

- ☐ **Review maintenance records and plan upcoming service**  
Winter - Planning - All Areas

## Homeowner Notes

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# Maintenance Planning Notes

Use this page to record recurring concerns, service dates, contractor questions, warranty details, filter sizes, and projects to schedule before peak season.

| Priority | Item or concern | Target date | Who to contact |
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**Editorial note**  
This checklist provides general educational guidance. It cannot account for every home, climate, building system, manufacturer requirement, warranty, local rule, accessibility issue, or property condition. Completing a checkbox does not confirm that a system is safe or free from defects.