

Fall House Maintenance



To-Do List

1 Outside

- Put away summer equipment like hoses, gardening equipment, etc.
- Rake leaves, trim up bushes for last time in season
- Check with plow contractor for seasonal prices
- Get projects done that require temperate weather and airflow like painting, staining, etc.
- Prepare yard/house for Christmas lights if possible

2 Winterize

- Check outdoor faucets
- Bring inside planters that would get damaged by frost/snow
- Schedule to have sprinklers blown out, or put it in your calendar to do yourself
- Protect your outdoor air conditioning unit with cover, or take down window units
- Do maintenance and winterize outdoor power tools like lawn mower, hedge trimmer, etc.

3 Stock Up

- Check inventory of road salt and purchase estimated amount needed for season (price increases the later you buy it!)
- Buy driveway markers for plow
- Consider buying thermal curtains to keep in heat during winter
- Put winter survival kits in each car

4 Clean

- Seal windows and door frames with updated weather sealant or clear plastic
- Scrub out Grill/Smoker for season
- Wipe down and store deck furniture
- Clean summer sand out of cars and garage
- Go through summer clothes and shoes and store for season
- Clean areas of house that would not be fun to clean in winter weather like garage, three-season room, porch, unfinished basement, etc.