

As fall approaches, it's important to prepare your projects for the upcoming colder months. Here are some maintenance tasks to ensure readiness for snow and ice.

▀ GETTING YOUR PROJECTS READY FOR FALL

- ☐ Review the perimeter of the foundation for settlement; it is important to maintain positive slope for water to drain away from the foundation, fill if necessary
- ☐ Plan for winter heat, check furnaces for proper operation, dust off your heaters, get your fuel source organized
- ☐ Ensure eavestroughs and downspouts are installed where possible, and make sure down spouts are pointing away from your foundation
- ☐ Ensure your sump pump is operating properly and discharging water away from the foundation
- ☐ Have a plan for snow removal and sidewalk safety, temp sidewalks where necessary and slip prevention available

▀ SPEC & SHOWHOMES

- ☐ Prepare your landscaping and sprinklers for winter
- ☐ Store hoses and close interior valve to outdoor hose connection and drain your water line
- ☐ Cover your outside air-conditioning unit and ensure the power is turned off
- ☐ Test your furnace to ensure the furnace is operating properly, mark the furnace switch so guests do not turn off
- ☐ Review, clean or change filters where applicable, furnace, HRV, humidifier, over the range vent
- ☐ Check your entry doors for proper operation and seal, including weather stripping
- ☐ Inspect your roof and siding for damages
- ☐ Check any floor drains and refill with water if necessary
- ☐ Clean floor and wall vents using a vacuum

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