



SPRING HOME MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

WHAT TO DO WHEN THE SNOW MELTS

PRUNE TREES/SHRUBS

- Use shears or hand pruners for smaller shrubs and bushes
- Have a handsaw or chainsaw available for larger limbs
- Always wear gloves to protect hands and use goggles to protect your eyes

PREP FLOWER/GARDEN BEDS

- Rake out leaves and dead foliage
- Pull up old/dead plants
- Replace old mulch
- Spread new fertilizer (once ground has fully thawed)

RESEED DAMAGED AREAS

- Think early to mid-April
- Start fresh—remove entire damaged areas
- Apply ample fertilizer
- Lay grass seed evenly

CLEAN UP WALKWAYS

- Sweep or spray away debris
- Reset damaged pavers
- Take note of algae or stains
- Tools to consider: Pressure washer, hoses, brooms, scrub brush

POWER WASH DECKS

- Rent or get out the pressure washer
- Spray evenly across entire surface
- Allow to air dry
- A hose and scrub brush will work in a pinch too

DE-JUNK GUTTERS

- Do not overlook this
- Get a ladder, tarp, hose, and rubber gloves
- Rest ladder at roof level
- Throw debris to your tarp below
- Hose out gutters for final removal



CLEAN WINDOWS

- Think inside and outside
- Look for mildew, fingerprints, smudges
- Wash away debris from panes, windowsills, and dormers
- Tools to consider: Ladder, window cleaning fluid, rags, water bucket

CHECK SLIDING & SCREEN DOORS

- Remove from hinges
- Check the door / screen
- Check the tracks / frames
- Patch and tears and re anchor screens into their tracks

CLEAN & REPOSITION LAWN FURNITURE

- Brush off loose debris
- Wash down cleaning solution
- Rinse off with water
- Allow to air dry

EXTERIOR PAINT

- Look for chips, cracks, blistering, flaking, peeling
- Scrape off loose paint
- Sand down to level
- Repaint with matching color
- Consider hiring a professional if damage is extensive

INSPECT STORM WINDOWS

- Inspect for chips/cracks
- If cracked, take extreme caution when removing
- Clean all windows before storing for the season

INSPECT THE ROOF

- Go onto the roof with a spotter, or inspect elements from the ground
- Examine shingles for damage like cracks, tears, or loose pieces
- Hire a professional if excess damage is evident