HOME MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST



Home maintenance is a fundamental aspect of homeownership, playing a pivotal role in preserving the value, safety, and longevity of a property. Regular upkeep enhances the aesthetic appeal of a home but also prevents minor issues from escalating into major, costly repairs. By addressing issues promptly, homeowners can safeguard against structural damage, ensuring the integrity of their investment. Moreover, proper maintenance contributes to a healthy living environment, mitigating health hazards like mold or pests. A well-maintained home is more energy-efficient, reducing utility costs and environmental impact.

Monthly Maintenance:

- Clean debris around the outdoor condenser unit.
- Check for leaks under sinks and around toilets.
- o Inspect water heater for leaks and proper operation.
- Ensure downspouts direct water away from the foundation.
- Check for signs of leaks in the attic.
- Inspect the siding for damage and repair as needed.
- Check the caulking around windows and doors.
- o Remove lint from the dryer exhaust.

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Quarterly Maintenance:

- Check for cracks in the foundation.
- Trim trees and shrubs away from the home.
- Check and replace air filters as needed.
- o Inspect irrigation system for leaks and proper functioning.
- Check for signs of pests and treat as necessary.
- Inspect and repair any gaps or cracks that pests could use to enter.
- Test smoke and carbon detectors and replace batteries.

Semi-Annual Maintenance:

- Schedule a professional inspection and maintenance for the heating system before winter.
- Schedule a professional inspection and maintenance for the air conditioning system before summer.
- Check weatherstripping and seals for wear and tear.

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Annual Maintenance:

- Schedule a professional inspection and cleaning of the chimney.
- Flush the water heater to remove sediment.
- Inspect and clean all downspouts and gutters.
- Check for signs of pests or water damage in the attic.
- o Ensure proper insulation and ventilation.
- Check fire extinguishers for expiration and replace if needed.
- Inspect for damaged or missing shingles.