

# FALL HOME CHECKLIST



## EXTERIOR

- Trim tree branches and vegetation near roof.
- Check roof, siding and foundation for damage.
- Check chimney for loose bricks and missing mortar.
- Clean gutters and downspouts. Make sure water doesn't pool around foundation.
- Seal gaps and holes that could provide access for animals.
- Replace loose or missing caulking around windows and doors.
- Fertilize and reseed lawn.
- If area is subject to freezes, shut off exterior faucets and irrigation system and store hoses.

## INTERIOR

- Check attic and crawl spaces for leaks or moisture after wet weather.
- Check caulking around showers, bathtubs, sinks and toilets.
- Check faucets and supply valves for leaks or corrosion.
- Inspect water heater for leaks.
- Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Have a professional inspect/clean the chimney. Test fireplace flue for tight seal.
- Test circuit breakers and ground-fault/arc-fault interrupters.
- Consider hiring a professional to inspect and tune up your furnace/HVAC system.
- Change furnace filter and remove any materials that block air return vent.
- Clean dryer vent.

Sources: Amerispec Inspection Services, HomeAdvisor.com