

Fall Maintenance Tasks (Home Interior)

Below is a standard homeowner's maintenance checklist, prepared by SB Restoration Services, and our partner company, Scotty's Exteriors. We have been helping homeowners and businesses with their restoration and cleaning needs for over 30 years.



Contact our friendly office staff at 320-255-0076 to schedule your home's inspection and estimates

for: Energy efficiency | Restorations | Interior remodels or restorations | New construction

Air quality and testing surfaces for germs like Covid-19, allergens, and mold | Professional cleaning and maintenance services.

We provide free estimates!

Appliances - inspect all appliances for efficiency, potential fire and health hazards.

Appliances-Major

- Dishwasher - remove mold and debris by cleaning and disinfecting rubber seal and filter.
- Freezer - vacuum and clean vent.
- Refrigerator - vacuum condenser coils, front and back vents.
- Stove - prevent fires by thoroughly cleaning oven and stove top; replace or clean hood vent filter.
- Refrigerator and Stove - pull out to clean sides and floor under the units.

Appliances-Minor

- Appliance Cords - inspect for exposed wires or damaged plugs.
- Coffee Maker - clean monthly to eliminate residue, mold, and unhealthy bacteria.
- Microwave, Pizza Oven Toaster, and Toaster Oven - remove crumbs, food debris, and check for damaged electrical elements. Weekly cleaning is recommended.

Furnace, Heat Pump, Space Heaters, and Fireplaces

- Duct Work - professionally clean (every 3-5 years) to remove allergens (dust, debris, and mold).
 - After new or any remodeling have duct work immediately cleaned.
- Furnace Filters - change every 90 days.
- Vents - vacuum and clean, remove dust and debris.
- System - professionally clean and service for efficiency annually.

Clothes Dryer

- Clean Interior - wipe down and clean the dryer's interior.
- Clean Exterior - Pull out dryer and vacuum behind, underneath, and wipe down complete exterior.
- Dryer Venting - professionally clean annually; may require professional cleaning every 6 months or more, depending on use.
- Exterior Exhaust - check for proper air flow.
- Lint Screen - clean before or after every load.

Garbage Disposal

- Clean - grind citrusy fruits to help with bad smells and grind ice cubes to help maintain your unit.

Trash Compactor

- Clean - unplug the compactor, remove trash bag, remove food and debris, thoroughly clean and disinfect.
- Air Filter and bag - clean and replace, if necessary.

Vacuum (Central And Standard)

- Air flow - check, remove clogs and dirt.
- Filters - change or clean.
- Motor - check to ensure optimal performance.
- Power head - clean and remove debris from roller.
- Canister or bag - check weekly and empty when full.

Washing Machine

- Clean - pull out and vacuum behind, underneath, and wipe down complete exterior.
- Filter - clean filter/lint screen.
- Level - check washer is level and adjust to balance.
- Rubber gaskets - thoroughly disinfect and clean mildew.
- Water hoses - check for brittleness, inspect for leaks and kinks.

Water Heater

- Pipes: check for leaks.
- Tank: check for efficiency, have the water heater drained and flushed at least once a year.

Energy Efficiency

- Energy Inspection - Schedule a professional energy inspection, by SB Restoration Services 320-255-0076.
- Insulate - properly insulate home and windows for energy savings.

Health and Safety

- Basement check foundation for water seepage and signs of damage.
- Bathtubs and showers inspect.
 - Ensure proper drainage and no plumbing issues.
 - Check for leaks behind, around base, and inside tank.
- Carbon Monoxide and Smoke Alarms test and change batteries.
- Electrical cords inspect for wear damage.
- Emergency generator test.
- Exhaust fans inspect for proper function; vacuum to remove dust and debris.
- Faucets inspect for drips and leaks.
- Fire Extinguishers inspect for expiration, damage; that pressure gauge is green and in operating range; ensure pull-pin is not missing.
- Lighting replace with energy efficient bulbs.
- Moisture inspect walls, crawl spaces, floors, and ceilings for mold growth and potential health hazards.
- Mold Inspect for mold growth on walls, floors, or other areas of concern every 6 months.
- Radon test every 2-3 years.
- Toilets inspect.
 - Ensure proper drainage and no plumbing issues.
 - Check for leaks behind, around base, and inside tank.
- Water filter Clean system and change filter every 6-months. Hard water homes may require more frequent filter changes.
- Water softener inspect.
 - Brine tanks - check salt levels every 2-3 months.
 - Professionally service annually.
- Water pipes inspect.
 - Ensure proper drainage and no plumbing issues.
 - Check for leaks inside cabinets (kitchen, bathroom, and utility sinks etc.).
- Well water test once a year for contaminants and drinking safety.
- Windows and doors inspect.
 - Clean - remove visible dirt and mold.
 - Black Mold - can be toxic and can be a health issue, so it is important to thoroughly clean the glass, frame, and tracks to kill any mold spores that are present. Use a home based or commercial solution such as bleach (1/4 to 1/2 cup bleach in a gallon of water).

SB Restoration's Professional Cleaning Services

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- Carpet and furniture every 1-2 years or per manufacturer's warranty.
- Furnace air ducts every 3-5 years.
- Dryer venting annually; may require professional cleaning every 6 months or more, depending on use.
- Tile & grout cleaned 1-2 times per year.
- Air quality test Schedule SB Restoration's air quality and surface testing for germs such as Covid-19, allergens, and mold.