

MONTHLY Checklist

MONTHLY HOME MAINTENANCE · ABOUT 30 MINUTES

EVERY MONTH

- Look under every sink
- Check the toilets (listen + wobble)
- Look around washer, dishwasher, fridge
- Water heater: dry base, no rust
- Test smoke + CO alarms
- Test GFCI outlets (nightlight)
- Check the HVAC filter
- Clean range hood + dishwasher filters
- Fire extinguisher: gauge in the green
- Walk around the outside

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WATER

- ☐ Kitchen sink cabinet dry
- ☐ Bathroom sink cabinets dry
- ☐ No drain slower than last month
- ☐ Toilet dye test (every few months)
- ☐ Water meter 2-hour test
- ☐ Washer hoses not bulging

OUTSIDE

- ☐ Downspouts attached
- ☐ No water against the walls
- ☐ AC unit free of leaves
- ☐ Roof + gutters seen from ground
- ☐ Nothing loose after storms
- ☐ Outdoor lights working

SAFETY

- ☐ Every smoke alarm sounds
- ☐ Every CO alarm sounds
- ☐ No alarm older than 10 years
- ☐ All GFCIs trip and reset
- ☐ Extinguisher easy to reach
- ☐ Shutoffs not blocked by boxes

MY HOME INFO

HVAC filter size

Main water shutoff

Alarm batteries

My check day

FILTERS

- ☐ HVAC filter checked
- ☐ HVAC filter changed if gray
- ☐ Range hood filter degreased
- ☐ Dishwasher filter rinsed
- ☐ Spare HVAC filter at home
- ☐ Fridge water filter date OK

FOUND A PROBLEM?

NOW

Active leak, CO alarm, gas smell, hot or sparking outlet

WEEK

Dead alarm, GFCI that won't trip, damp cabinet

WATCH

Small stain or slow drain: dated photo, check next month

PROBLEM LOG

DATE

WHAT I FOUND

GROUP

WHAT I DID

NOTES