Winter Home Maintenance Checklist

Winter · Dec–Feb · 12 jobs

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Tick each job as you finish it. Every job has a step-by-step guide with pictures at the address shown.

- [ ] **Know where your main water shutoff is**
  If a pipe bursts, you want to find it in seconds.
  grabthehammer.com/main-water-shutoff-valve/

- [ ] **Watch for frozen pipes**
  Low water pressure at one faucet on a cold morning is the warning.
  grabthehammer.com/thaw-frozen-pipe/

- [ ] **Change the HVAC filter**
  Heat runs a lot; check it every month or two.
  grabthehammer.com/change-hvac-air-filter/

- [ ] **Test smoke and CO alarms**
  Fires and CO problems peak in the heating season.
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- [ ] **Check the water heater for leaks**
  Look for water or rust at the base.
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- [ ] **Even out a cold room**
  Open vents, clear returns and check dampers.
  grabthehammer.com/room-too-hot-or-cold/

- [ ] **Test and reset GFCI outlets**
  Press Test and Reset on each one; it takes a minute.
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- [ ] **Clean the refrigerator coils**
  A fridge with dusty coils runs longer.
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- [ ] **Fix nail pops in the drywall**
  Dry winter air makes framing shrink and nails pop.
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- [ ] **Leave seasonal floor gaps alone**
  Hardwood gaps that open in winter usually close by summer.
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- [ ] **Quiet a squeaky floor**
  Squeaks are often loudest in dry winter air.
  grabthehammer.com/fix-squeaky-floor/

- [ ] **Touch up scuffed walls**
  A good indoor job for a cold weekend.
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Done: ____ of 12

Date started: _____

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