

Summer Home Maintenance Checklist

Summer is about sun, fun, and relaxation, and may even include a well-deserved vacation! How can you stay relaxed all summer long? By ensuring your home is in tip-top shape.



Complete these home maintenance tasks **before vacay** to prevent costly repairs and keep your home in excellent condition.

Indoors

Outdoors

Safety First

- Check locks on windows and doors
- Make sure stairway treads, risers, and handrails are solid
- Examine fireplace for cracking or damaged masonry and make sure the flue has been cleaned and lined

- Investigate wood structures, like steps and decks, for rot or deterioration
- Secure window wells and crawl spaces
- Swap out old garage door codes for new ones

Stay Healthy

- Survey for mold in all rooms
- Inspect your air conditioner
- Have home air ducts cleaned

- Check for any bare wires
- Ensure there are no leaks from septic tank or leach field
- Take care of any insect problems you may have

Avoid the Most Common Summer Problems

- Inspect and clean ceiling fans
- Ensure that floors, walls, and ceilings appear straight and plumb and level
- Visit the attic to ensure adequate ventilation

- Check for loose or missing roof tiles or shingles
- Inspect gutters for clogs or damages
- Scrutinize siding for dents, damage, bowing or loose planks

