

- **CLEAN THE GUTTERS** Inspect and clean gutters & downspouts (make sure they point away from the house!)
- **LOOK AT THE ROOF** Repair any damaged shingles, corroded flashing or leaky vents/skylights.
- **CHECK THE SIDING** Seal gaps and cracks with exterior caulk. Touch up any old or loose paint to ensure a weatherproof seal.
- **TRIM TREE LIMBS** Remove loose branches that could fall in a storm. Trim trees to at least 4' away from the house to prevent pests.
- **REVERSE CEILING FANS** Run blades in a clockwise direction at low speed to push warm air downward.

- **WEATHERIZE DOORS** Replace weather stripping and/or door bottom on drafty exterior doors.
- **SERVICE THE FURNACE** Have your furnace inspected and tuned up. Replace or clean your filter.
- **CHECK THE CHIMNEY** Hire a sweep to inspect and clean soot & creosote buildup from your wood-burning chimney & air vents.
- **TEST SAFETY DEVICES** Replace smoke detectors & CO monitors as needed. Inspect or install fire extinguishers.
- WINTERIZE PLUMBING Drain and protect outdoor faucets & irrigation systems.

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