

- Inspect and clean gutters & downspouts (make sure they point away from the house!)
- Repair any damaged shingles, corroded flashing or leaky vents/skylights.
- Seal gaps and cracks with exterior caulk. Touch up any old or loose paint to ensure a weatherproof seal.
- 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.

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

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