

Preparing Your Home For Winter

From freezing temperatures to snowstorms, winter can be harsh on your home. Here are some tips on how to prepare your home for the colder weather.



Seal any cracks

Using caulk or insulation, seal any cracks around windows and doors. This will prevent cold air from entering the home and warm air from leaving it.

Insulate your attic

Having the proper insulation in your attic can help with preventing damage caused by ice dams, including water leaks.

Remove large tree branches

If strong winds occur, they can bring down heavy branches onto your roof. To help prevent damage from fallen branches, trim back any large tree branches that hang over your roof.

Protect your water pipes

Insulate pipes in unheated areas, such as an attic or basement, to protect against burst pipes. During colder days and nights, let water trickle from your faucets and open cabinet doors so warm air can circulate around the pipes.

If a pipe does burst, turn off the water to the house and immediately call a plumber.



Snowstorm Prep

- Charge your cell phone & other electronics
- Stock up on food, water and batteries
- Fuel your generator & position it so that fumes can't enter your home
- Turn your fridge to the coldest setting in case the power goes out
- Close off unused areas of your home to contain heat
- Be careful when using a fireplace or heaters
- Spread rock salt or sand on your walkways

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