

HOME FALL CLEANING Checklist

Fall and Winter Yard clean-up starts with the leaves in yard.... We can all use a few tips on yard maintenance and what really should be done to get ready for the Fall/Winter Season. Use this handy checklist for your outside and inside duties to make sure you are prepared!

Deck and Porch

- Clear out potted plants, empty dirt if necessary and store for the winter
- Clean and store patio furniture and pillows
- Clean the grill and cover or store for the winter
- Wash and roll up any outdoor rugs. Store until spring
- Sweep and/or powerwash the deck and porch
- Clean sliding glass door track & wash windows

House - Exterior

- Clean your gutters/downspouts from leaves and debris (may need to do couple times before winter)
- Wash screens, windows & doors
- Clean dryer vent from the outside and any other vents
- Replace outdoor lightbulbs
- Powerwash the house & inspect siding for damage
- Hang Christmas lights if you don't want to in the cold!!

Front and Back Yard

- Clean and close the swimming pool
- Rake the leaves in the yard, treat lawn for winter
- Clean and store portable Fire Pit
- Prepare Perennials for winter (cutting, covering etc)
- Plant any new Spring bulbs
- Trim trees and bushes
- Drain and store your garden hoses
- Cut grass short for last cut to grab leaves and prevent rot

Garage

- Throw out old tools, kids toys and equipment
- Prepare Snow Blower and make sure to have shovels
- Put away gardening tools until next spring
- Check Generator box to make sure working in case lose power
- Sweep the garage floor

Vehicle Checkups

- Clean vehicle thoroughly
- Check all registrations, inspections, tire levels, oil & brake fluids, windshield wipers
- Make sure snow brush is in the car
- Add winter survival kit- blankets, granola bar, water, gloves, hats etc

House - Interior

- Service furnace and clean chimney
- Change furnace filters
- Program your thermostat when you want heat to go on
- Check the batteries in smoke detectors
- Check weather stripping and replace if needed
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