

Home Maintenance Checklist

Fall & Winter

- Turn off water valve to exterior bibs; drain and bleed the lines
- Replace furnace filter (recommended every month) with a MERV rating no higher than MERV11
- Clean humidifier and adjust settings to reflect outside temperatures (if applicable)
- Inspect furnace and hot water tank vents to ensure they are free of debris
- Clean the filters in the HRV, the small filters to be cleaned every 3 months and then large filter every 6 months (if applicable)
- Continuously monitor furnace and hot water thank vents and remove all snow, frost and icicles that build up. Not doing this could cause the hot water tank or furnace to go into safe mode and turn off
- Do not place objects in front, below or too close to vents that may cause restriction to air flow
- Check the attic to make sure insulation is not displaced due to high winds; rake out if required
- Check for excessive snow on roof after long periods and clear away from roof vents
- Check that eavestroughs and down spouts are free of debris
- Ensure downspouts are directing water away from the foundation during chinooks or warmer winter weather that causes snow melt
- Ensure large snow piles that collect near foundation is removed or redirected
- Ensure concrete swale is clear of debris (if applicable)
- Continue to control condensation and humidity: run your bath fans during showers and for 60 minutes after, and run principal ventilation fan for a minimum of 1 hour per day (if applicable), run HRV in INT mode constantly
- Check clothes dryer vent and ensure it is clear of lint or debris
- Test smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors
- Clean window tracks to ensure they are free of debris to avoid blocked drainage holes

*This is a list of critical maintenance items. For a comprehensive description of your homes operational and maintenance details, refer to your Mattamy Homes "About Your Home" brochure.