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Inspection Times

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ASK THE INSPECTOR...

Question

We had a tough winter last year and I'm sure our house suffered some wear and tear also. What are some things we can do to help our home weather the winter season?

Answer

Preparing for winter is an important part of home preservation. Even if you don't suffer snow and sub-zero winters, fall is a great time for preventative maintenance. Here are a few tips.

Furnace Inspection

- Call an HVAC professional to inspect your furnace and clean the ducts.
- Stock up on furnace filters and change them monthly.

Get the Fireplace Ready

- Cap or screen the top of the chimney to keep out rodents and birds.
- If chimney hasn't been cleaned for a while, call a chimney pro to remove soot/creosote.
- Inspect the fireplace damper for proper opening and closing.

Check the Exterior

- Inspect exterior for crevice cracks and exposed entry points around pipes; seal them.
- Use weather stripping around doors and caulk windows to keep cold out.
- Prime and paint exposed wood.

Inspect Roofs, Gutters and Downspouts

- If temperatures will fall below 32 degrees, adding extra insulation to the attic may help prevent ice dams.
- Check flashing to ensure water cannot enter the home.
- Replace worn roof shingles or tiles.
- Clean out gutters and downspouts.

FLOWERS – PLANT NOW FOR A BLOOMING SPRING

While cooler weather is on its way, some flowers actually do better when planted in the fall – especially bulbs. Daffodils, Scillia, Tulips and Crocus are great choices you can plant now for a beautiful spring.

- ❖ When you are shopping for bulbs, make sure bulbs are firm to the touch. If they are too soft, they may rot once planted.
- ❖ It is important to do your planting before the end of October to allow for good root growth. Bulbs with only a little or even no growth, are best to plant so that roots can be established without exposing the tender stems.
- ❖ Frost is a real concern with bulbs so make sure that they are planted deep enough. Check with your local supplier or nursery for specifics about your bulbs, but generally Crocus should be planted about 3 inches deep. Tulips and Daffodils will need to be around 6 inches deep.
- ❖ For other flowering choices, try Chrysanthemums, Dusty Miller, ornamental kales and flowering cabbages.



If you have questions about home inspections or home maintenance, Ask the Inspector!

Call Pete Jung at 301-351-1113

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