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Preparing for Spring

- Clean and test all your smoke alarms (if needed replace batteries).
- Test all GFCIs in bathrooms, kitchens, outside receptacles and on the electrical panel.
- Change furnace filters and inspect the fan belt (may require a technician).
- Inspect the roof visually from the ground if possible (be safety conscious if you have to go on the roof or hire a contractor).
- Clean gutters and down-pipes and make sure downspouts and splash pads drain away from walls and foundation.
- Inspect caulking inside and out and touch-up or replace where needed with approved products.
- Clean windows, window tracks and make sure weep holes are not blocked (including sliding door tracks - lubricate openers and track rollers with silicone spray).
- Remember to turn on the interior water supply to hose bibs and exterior faucets! (IMPORTANT - check for leaks).

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## Preparing for Summer

- Remove debris from gutters, eavestroughs and down-pipes. Hose them out and ensure good drainage flow.
- Examine window and door seals and repair as necessary. This will cut down on energy costs for cooling.
- Examine and repair grout in bathrooms and tile floors to prevent moisture damage - materials' shrinkage may occur during the hot season.
- Inspect and lubricate garage door roller shafts (do not attempt to adjust door springs yourself - always call a technician).
- Lubricate locks on doors and windows with silicone spray.
- Check window screens and screen doors for tears if installed.
- Check the condition of concrete slabs and sidewalks and asphalt driveways - repair cracks as necessary.
- Make sure sprinklers and hoses are not directed against the outside of the house.
- Make sure that plants and bushes do not grow up against the outside of the house (moisture can stay trapped and not dry causing damage).
- Check all landscaping and outdoor features to ensure good drainage away from the house, if the ground has settled or water is running back toward the house.
- Make sure all your drainage systems are working properly and that water drains away from your home. If it does not, take corrective actions immediately.
- Check to ensure there are no insects or vermin getting into your home.