3 BENEFITS

OF MAINTAINING YOUR HOME | SEASONAL CHECKLISTS

CAPE COD & THE ISLANDS
KELLERWILLIAMS. REALTY

DREAM INTERNATIONAL HOMES & ESTATES

3 BENEFITS

OF MAINTAINING YOUR HOME

1. Preventing costly repairs. Home repairs can be expensive if they're not caught in time. Maintaining your home can help you find and correct potential problems before they take a chunk out of your wallet.

2. Keep your home and your systems humming. Staying on top of home maintenance ensures that your home and its systems work well when you need them.

3. Improve salability of the home. Most buyers want a home that's been well taken care of, and will pay closer to list price for it.

SEASONAL *Checklists*

IN THE *Fall*

- Clear gutters of debris before the weather changes.
- Inspect your roof.
- Have your chimney cleaned and inspected, if you didn't do it in the spring.
- Check for leaks and drafts, and repair them
- Get your furnace inspected and repaired if needed
- Install storm windows
- Test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Change the batteries in them, if necessary.

IN THE *Spring*

- Clean the gutters.
- Replace your HVAC filter.
- Check the batteries in your smoke detectors.
- Clean the vent on your dryer.
- Clean the refrigerator coils.
- Check the caulking around your windows.
- Get your lawn equipment ready.
- Flush your water heater.
- Have your HVAC unit serviced.
- Change the well filters.
- Clean your home's siding.
- Clean and inspect the roof.

IN THE *Winter*

- Cover your central air conditioning unit,
- or remove your window air conditioners.
- Change/clean furnace filters
- Clean your kitchen appliances
- Clean your drains
- Close crawl space vents

IN THE *Summer*

- TEST your smoke detectors / carbon monoxide detectors.
- Get your cooling system ready.
- Dust the ceiling fan blades
- Check that the fan is balanced and working properly.
- Get your chimney cleaned.
- Clean or replace your showerheads.
- Clean bathroom drains.
- Reverse the direction of your ceiling fans.
- Clean the baseboards of your home.
- Check your attic and basement.
- Clean the vents of your bathroom fans.
- Clean the dryer vent and exhaust duct.
- Change the filter in the air conditioner.