



Spring Maintenance Checklist for Virginia and Maryland

- **01. Look for Damages from the Winter Weather:** Walk around the outside of your home, looking for winter damage to shingles, siding, chimney, sidewalks, and driveways.
- **02. Check Your Foundation for Cracking or Shifts:** Look for issues like cracking walls, a bulging or sunken foundation, or the separation from other structures like steps or chimneys.
- **03. Remove Yard Debris:** Freshen up your yard by cleaning up fallen tree branches, raking leaves, and removing debris.
- **04. Trim Trees, Shrubs, and Hedges:** Early spring is the best time to prune many trees and shrubs. Keep plantings at a manageable size and remove dead limbs that could damage your home.
- **05. Clean Your Home's Gutters:** Gutters are typically cleaned at least twice a year, and the biggest cleanup is usually in the spring.
- **06. Inspect Outdoor Plumbing and Pipes:** Check for cracks, ice damage, corrosion, or leaks in your outdoor faucets and pipes to an outside heat pump or AC unit.
- **07. Flush Outdoor Drains:** Clean any debris from drainage systems and use a pressure washer to remove grime buildup.
- **08. Plant Lawn Seed:** Reseeding lawns in the spring can give you a lush, green lawn by the summer.
- **09. Look for Evidence of Pests:** Check along the soil line for evidence of burrowing pests or termites. Also look along the roofline for problems with bats, birds, wasps, or squirrels.
- **10. Maintain Landscape Along the Foundation:** Clear debris from around the foundation, and check the grading and drainage.
- **11. Power Wash Siding and Decks:** Pressure wash your siding and decks to remove mildew or grime.
- **12. Plan Your Summer Projects:** Spring is a good time to plan outdoor projects such as updating drainage, installing walkways, installing garden beds, or painting.

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