

# Fall Home Maintenance Checklist – North Texas



*Preventive Tips to Protect Your Home  
& Reduce Insurance Risks*



## 1. Roof & Gutters

- ☐ Inspect your roof for missing, loose, or damaged shingles repair promptly to prevent leaks
- ☐ Clean gutters and downspouts to prevent water backup and foundation damage
- ☐ Check for roof leaks or signs of water damage in attic

## 2. Exterior & Siding

- ☐ Look for cracks, gaps, or damage in siding, brick, and mortar, seal or repair as needed
- ☐ Inspect windows and doors for drafts and water infiltration replace weather stripping
- ☐ Trim tree branches that hang over the house or roof to prevent storm damage

## 3. Exterior Drainage

- ☐ Ensure downspouts direct water at least 5 feet from foundation to prevent flooding or foundation issues
- ☐ Inspect the grading around your home to prevent overflow from foundation

## 5. Fire Prevention

- ☐ Inspect smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, replace batteries if needed
- ☐ Clean chimneys and fireplaces to prevent fire hazards
- ☐ Keep leaves and debris away from foundation and under eaves

## 6. Windows, Doors & Insulation

- ☐ Check attic insulation, add more if needed to prevent heat loss and reduce ice or condensation
- ☐ Seal gaps or cracks around windows and doors to prevent water intrusion and energy

## 7. Safety & Preparedness

- ☐ Test sump pumps and backup systems if there is basement or crawlspace
- ☐ Review your home inventory and update photos for insurance purposes
- ☐ Ensure your homeowners insurance policy covers seasonal risks like hail, wind, fire

