

Summer Reach Homeowners Maintenance and Repair Support Club

'Going Away' Maintenance Checklist

Fall is the time of year when folks head to warmer locations for an extended stay. Before you leave, walk around your exterior and interior to cross off items on your to-do-list. Below are suggested items to check: *(Refer to the Maintenance Guide for details).*

- Shut the water off at the main line in the basement, leave a tap open on each floor as a precaution.
- Shut off exterior hose connections in the basement. Leave outside faucet open a little to avoid freezing and cover with insulated cap
- Keep your humidifier on a slow speed and desired temperature; make sure it is draining to a pump
- Bring Gas Grill into the garage after cleaning and removing gas tank
 - a. Secure gas tank outside with a bike lock cable
- Bring your umbrellas and outdoor furniture in if you leave for an extended time.
- Set the heat at 60 degrees on main floor and 55 degrees on second floor so the pipes don't freeze. Also, consider draining the pipes in order to protect pipes from freezing.
- Unplug sensitive electronics (TV, computers, etc..), even if they are plugged into a surge protector.
- Shut off auto ice-maker.
- Install new batteries in thermostat(s) and smoke/CO2 detectors.
- Check all doors and windows to make sure they are secure and locked.
- Recommend having a few lights on timers.
- Share your itinerary with a relative, friend, or neighbor.
- Leave a key, phone number and security code with a relative, friend or neighbor.
- Have someone check the property while you're away.
- If you have security; contact them for their procedures for vacation.
- If a Power Failure occurs [for more than a day], ask a relative, friend or neighbor to come in to check your modem and WIFI connections:
 - a. verify that sensi and alarm systems have reconnected to WIFI
so you can continue to monitor (remotely) your security and thermostats
 - b. verify that refrigerator and freezer has restarted

