

Summer Reach Homeowners Maintenance and Repair Support Club

WINTER Maintenance Checklist

Mid November is the perfect time of year to get your home & yard ready before the first snowfall. So walk around, cross off items on your to-do-list. Below are suggested items to check: *(Refer to the Maintenance Guide for details).*

- **Make Emergency Supply Kit** - Check Red Cross website: ... <https://www.redcross.org/about-us/news-and-events/news/2019/national-preparedness-month-how-to-build-your-emergency-kit.html>)

- **Storm Safety** -winter : (SRHMRS club Homeowners Maintenance Guide Page 10)

Check Eversource website:... <https://www.eversource.com/content/ema-c/residential/outages/storm-preparedness/before-a-storm> for 'before, during, and after storms

- Have a container of **pet friendly ice melt** available to use.
- Check **thermostat batteries** and replace if necessary. (SRHMRS club Homeowners Maintenance Guide Page 12)
- Consider installing a **smart thermostat** such as the Sensi APP or a Nest. (SRHMRS club Homeowners Maintenance Guide Page 12)
- Visually check **gutters for ice build-up**, most gutters can be viewed from second floor windows; call or send service request to RGR .
- Check your **filter in the furnace**, replace based on recommended schedule. .(SRHMRS club Homeowners Maintenance Guide Page 8)

Check the **vent pipes in the rear (or on the side)** of the buildings during high impact snow storms to make sure that they are not blocked by drifting snow.

- Have **two D size batteries available for the fireplace** to manual start unit during a power failure.(SRHMRS club Homeowners Maintenance Guide Page 6)
- **Shut off exterior faucets** in the basement. Leave outside faucet open a little to avoid freezing and cover with insulated faucet cover that is available from Home Depot. Also drain hoses and store .(SRHMRS club Homeowners Maintenance Guide Page 15)
- **Keep Garage doors closed**. Also line the cement with ice melt or sand where rubber seal of door contacts pavement
- **Cover the AC condenser** when you have finished using for the year to protect from debris and ice. .(SRHMRS club Homeowners Maintenance Guide Page 3)
- **Ice Dams** can develop if you have more than 2 feet of snow on your roof. Submit a request to RGR.
- **Snow Shoveling** in most cases is handled by Tomasi. But if you have a deck, porch, and/or patio that needs clearing, take all necessary precautions to avoid over-exertion and slips or falls.

