



Strong Neighborhood Initiative

Building Relationships Today
For Stronger Neighborhoods Tomorrow
and A Better Community For All

Neighborhood tips

your source for tips and information on what makes Owasso Neighborhoods Strong

Seasonal Home Maintenance

Keeping up with regular home maintenance tasks can prevent costly repairs. Many tasks can be done by you without much experience and on your schedule. The following pages provide a home maintenance calendar for the various seasons as well as monthly, quarterly and bi-annually as an efficient way to maximize completing maintenance tasks at various times of the year. Do the maintenance that works for you and your schedule to keep up the appearance and condition of your home.



Spring

Spring is the time of the year for that **“Spring Cleaning”**. Focus on the exterior of your home since it has just gone through winter and is now preparing for the summer heat.

Summer

As your leisure-time activities move outside in the summer, so should your home maintenance. Summer is a good time to remain focused on the exterior of your home, as well as on your lawn and garden. Utilize the prolonged daylight hours to trim trees or shrubs that are growing too close to your home’s structure.



Fall

This time of year is an in-between season where you are finishing up your summer home maintenance tasks, as well as getting your home ready for winter. Cold, snow, and rain can cause damage to a home, so it is best to not ignore winter preparation. This is a good time to remove leaf clutter from gutters or drain areas to prevent any clogging.

Winter

This is a good time of year to focus on the interior of your home and check areas that you may have overlooked or put off for a later time.



Living in a good neighborhood is not a right; it is a responsibility for all of us to do our part.

For information about the Owasso Strong Neighborhood Initiative:

OSNI website: <http://www.cityofowasso.com/241/Neighborhoods>



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Winter

December

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
- Clean range hood filters
- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
- _____
- _____
- _____

January

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
- Clean range hood filters
- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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February

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
- Clean range hood filters
- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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- _____
- _____

Quarterly

- Test smoke/carbon monoxide detectors
- Test garage door auto-reverse feature
- Run water and flush toilets in unused spaces
- _____
- _____
- _____

Biannually

- Give your house a deep clean
- Vacuum your refrigerator coils
- _____
- _____

Annually

- Regularly check for ice dams and icicles
- Test your electricity to the extent that you can
- Tighten any handles, knobs, racks, etc.
- Check all locks and deadbolts on your doors/windows
- Remove showerheads and clean sediment
- Check caulking around showers/bathtubs; repair as needed
- _____
- _____

Spring

March

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
- Clean range hood filters
- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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April

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
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- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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May

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
- Clean range hood filters
- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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Quarterly

- Test smoke/carbon monoxide detectors
- Test garage door auto-reverse feature
- Run water and flush toilets in unused spaces
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- _____
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Annually

- Check the exterior drainage
- Clean out gutters
- Inspect the exterior of your home
- Inspect roofing for damage, leaks, etc.
- Repair/replace damaged window screens
- Clear dead plants/shrubs from the house
- Check trees for interference with electric lines
- Get your air conditioning system ready for summer;
- _____
- _____

Biannually

- Test your water heater's pressure relief valve
- Replace batteries in smoke/carbon monoxide detectors
- _____
- _____

Summer

June

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
- Clean range hood filters
- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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July

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
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August

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
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- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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Quarterly

- Test smoke/carbon monoxide detectors
- Test garage door auto-reverse feature
- Run water and flush toilets in unused spaces
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- _____

Annually

- Check grout in bathrooms, kitchen, etc.; repair as needed
- Inspect plumbing for leaks, clean aerators on faucets
- Take care of any insect problems you may have
- Clean and repair deck/patio as needed
- Clean out window/sliding door tracks of debris
- Clean out garage of unwanted items
- Check and clean dryer vent, other exhaust vents to exterior of home
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- _____

Biannually

- Give your house a deep clean
- Vacuum your refrigerator coils
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- _____

Fall

September

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
- Clean range hood filters
- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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October

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
- Clean range hood filters
- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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November

- Inspect, and possibly change out HVAC filters
- Clean kitchen sink disposal
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- Inspect your fire extinguisher(s)
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Quarterly

- Test smoke/carbon monoxide detectors
- Test garage door auto-reverse feature
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Annually

- Flush hot water heater and remove sediment
- Winterize air conditioning system
- Get heating system ready for winter
- Turn off and flush outdoor water faucets
- Get chimney cleaned
- Test sump pump/septic system
- Check driveway/pavement for cracks
- Get winter items ready such as snow shovels, ice scrapers, ice melt, etc.
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- _____

Biannually

- Test your water heater's pressure relief valve
- Replace batteries in smoke/carbon monoxide detectors
- _____
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