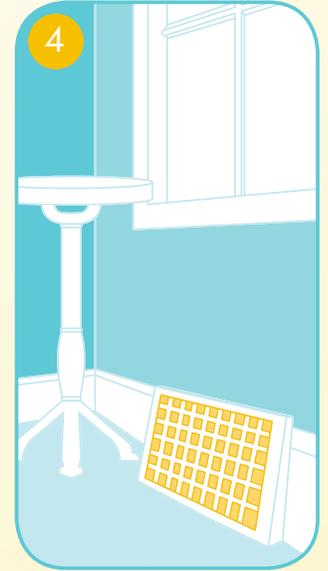
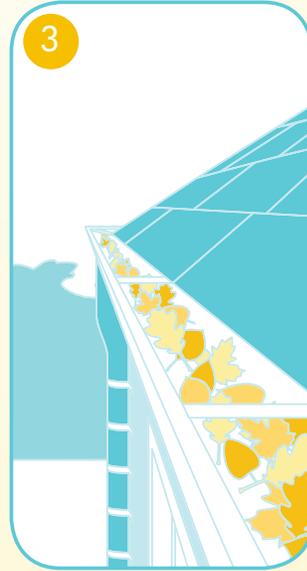
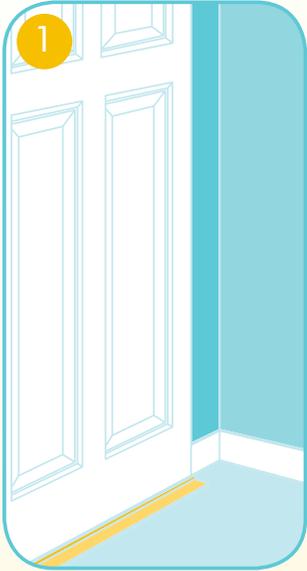


Weatherize Your Home

While it's still warm outside we have a chance this season to prepare our homes for the coming colder months. These helpful tips will help you save money and energy this winter.



- 1 Check Weatherstripping and Thresholds
- 2 Check Caulking Around Windows
- 3 Clear Gutters, Inspect Downspouts
- 4 Avoid Blocking Heat Vents

Windows:

- Check glazing around windowpanes and caulking around the casings.
- Apply foam weatherstripping to window tracks and the bottom of the window sash.
- If you don't have storm windows, consider installing window film over windows.

Doors:

- Check the caulking around the outside edges of door casings.
- Install weatherstripping on the inside of doorjamb.
- Insulate the back side of attic doors or hatches and use weatherstripping to seal the edges.

Outlets and Switches:

- Install foam gaskets under outlet and switch covers on exterior walls.

Furnace:

- Inspect, clean and/or replace furnace filters.
- Ensure heat and return air vents are not blocked by furniture or draperies.

Outdoors:

- Clean debris from gutters and ensure downspouts are connected and working properly.
- Disconnect and drain garden hoses for storage and cover outdoor faucets.
- Inspect trees and remove limbs that may contact the house if weighed down by ice or snow.