

Heating System Maintenance Checklist

1. Schedule annual professional servicing before the heating season.
2. Replace or clean filters (monthly for furnaces during peak use).
3. Inspect and clean ductwork for blockages and debris.
4. Check for air leaks around windows and doors; seal as needed.
5. Inspect thermostat functionality and calibrate settings.
6. Bleed radiators to remove trapped air (for boiler systems).
7. Clear the area around heating units to ensure proper airflow.
8. Test the pilot light or ignition system (for gas-powered systems).
9. Examine the heat pump's outdoor unit for debris and ice buildup.
10. Verify electrical connections and tighten loose wires.
11. Inspect and clean vents to prevent blockages and hazards.
12. Lubricate moving parts in older systems as per manufacturer guidelines.
13. Monitor energy bills for sudden spikes, which may indicate inefficiency.
14. Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors regularly.
15. Keep a maintenance log to track servicing and repairs.