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MONTHLY HOME MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST

MONTH	MAINTENANCE	DATE
January	**Declutter:** Start the year by letting go of things you no longer use.	
February	**Flat Surfaces:** Deep clean your carpets, rugs, and other flooring. **Filters:** Clean or replace filters in appliances and range hood. **Electrical:** Check all outlets, switches and fixtures.	
March	**HVAC:** Get a tune up on your AC unit before technicians get busy. **Air:** Check for drafty air coming through windows or doors and seal them up. **Tighten Up:** Tighten light switches, hardware, door knobs and cabinet hinges.	
April	**Air Filters**: Change your air filters after winter months and before summer. **Garage:** Start decluttering your garage and make space functional for summer activities.	
May	**Windows:** Wash your windows inside and out. **Window Coverings**: Vacuum blinds, shutters and drapes. **Deep Clean Bathrooms:** Scrub tiles and grout, clean vents and sanitize surfaces and corners.	
June	**Detectors:** Test and change your carbon monoxide and smoke detector batteries. **Water Heater:** Flush water from your water heater to prevent sediment buildup. **Get Your Ladder Out:** Clean your light fixtures and change hard-to-reach light bulbs.	
July	**Appliances:** Unplug, pull out and clean behind your washer, dryer, oven and fridge. **Vents:** Detach dryer vents and blow out. **Chimney:** Have the chimney cleaned and gas lines checked.	
August	**Pest Control:** Prepare your home for unwelcome guests during winter months. **Inspect Fire Extinguishers:** Ensure they are easily-accessible and not expired.	
September	**Seal Up cracks:** Re-caulk and grout around sinks, bathtubs, and tile. **Touch Up Paint:** Repair chips or scuffs on walls and baseboards. **Attic and Basement:** Inspect the places you don't treat often for leaks, pests, or other issues.	
October	**Filters:** Change your air filters after summer and before winter. **Polish Wood Furniture and Floors:** Protect surfaces against dry winter air.	
November	**Soak Faucets and Fixtures:** Detach and soak your faucets in vinegar to dissolve buildup. **Clean Drains:** Snake sinks and toilet drains to prepare for holiday guests. **Plumbing:** Inspect all plumbing and insulate exposed pipes for freezing risks.	
December	**Clean the Garbage Disposal:** Use ice, baking soda, and citrus rinds to eliminate odors	