

Home Watch Checklist

Exterior Inspection

- ☐ Check for signs of forced entry or vandalism.
- ☐ Ensure gutters and downspouts are clear of debris.
- ☐ Examine exterior walls for cracks or damage.
- ☐ Look for signs of pest infestations around the perimeter.

Interior Inspection

- ☐ Check all windows and doors for proper locking.
- ☐ Inspect ceilings and walls for water leaks or stains.
- ☐ Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- ☐ Examine HVAC system for any visible issues.
- ☐ Ensure all lights are functioning and replace bulbs as needed.

Plumbing and Water Systems

- ☐ Run water in all faucets to check for leaks.
- ☐ Inspect toilets for proper flushing and any signs of leaks.
- ☐ Examine water heater for leaks or corrosion.
- ☐ Check under sinks for plumbing leaks or water damage.
- ☐ Ensure all outdoor hoses are disconnected to prevent freezing.

Security and Safety

- ☐ Verify alarm system is functioning and armed.
- ☐ Ensure security cameras are operational, if applicable.
- ☐ Check fire extinguishers for proper charge and expiration.
- ☐ Inspect locks on all entry points for integrity.
- ☐ Test garage door openers and manual locks.

Utilities and Appliances

- ☐ Check that the thermostat is set to an appropriate temperature.
- ☐ Ensure refrigerator and freezer are functioning properly.
- ☐ Test electrical outlets for power.
- ☐ Run dishwasher and washing machine to prevent stale water.
- ☐ Inspect for any unusual odors that may indicate a problem.