

21 Ways to prepare your house for winter

VERIFY YOUR HOUSE

- Sweep your chimney
 - Verify your chimney integrity Repair your chimney
- Remove any object next to your stove or any heat source
- Clean the gutters
- Verify that your doors and windows are draught-free
- Verify the integrity of your house No cracks, No holes
- Clean the electric baseboards
- Revise your evacuation plan

INSPECT YOUR EQUIPMENT

- Order your wood or have your gas tank filled up
- Verify your fire and carbon monoxide detectors
- Inspect your stove or fireplace
- Double-check that your fire extinguisher functions properly
- ${igwedge}$ Verify that your furnace, heat pump or air exchanger function correctly
- Make sure that your snow removal equipment is in good condition and close at hand

MAINTAIN YOUR YARD

- Buy the necessary items to close your pool close pool in mid-October
 - Ensure that the drains around the house function correctly
- Inspect the trees on your property Cut dead branches for safety
- Hire snow removal services Get quotes and book your contractor
- Shread some to the leaves with lawn mower for compost and rake the extra if there is too many
- Cover your small trees and shrubs with evergreen foliage and conifers for winter at the end of October
- Close the valve of all exterior faucets and store the hoses in a warm place