HOME REPAIR

Mobile Home Winterizing Checklist

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Avoid using kerosene heaters to prevent fire and suffocation.	
Buy extra furnace filters and replace them frequently during heating season.	
Caulk around exterior windows and doors.	
Check the security of the skirting around your home's base. Add insulation for added protection from cold and wind. Block all entry points to prevent damage to the underbelly or ductwork from small animals.	
Check underbelly insulation for open areas and repair any water leaks.	
Check water heater for cracks and leaks.	
Clean gutters to avoid water buildup, roof damage, and interior ceiling damage.	
Consider upgrading to a programmable, energy-saving thermostat for improved efficiency.	
Ensure functional heat tape covers pipes.	
Fix broken window glass. Use storm windows if needed. Replace single-pane glass with energy-saving vinyl thermopane windows to prevent drafts.	
Inspect and repair roof damage, including shingles and tar around stacks and vents.	
Install CO and smoke/fire detectors with working batteries.	
Install leaf guards and downspout extensions on gutters.	
Maintain metal roofing, repair seams and edges, and coat entire roof with premium grade coating.	
Open closet and cabinet doors for proper air circulation.	
Remove garden hoses and check water faucets for proper slope to prevent freeze-ups.	
Schedule a furnace inspection. Reach out to a heating/HVAC expert for a yearly check-up, which can potentially save your life.	
Seal doors and windows with insulation or weather stripping to prevent heat loss and cold air infiltration.	
Seal ducts with tape, butyl (mastic) or both	
Set interior temperature above freezing and allow faucets to drip slightly when going on vacation or when expecting severe cold weather.	