



New Home Checklist

Purchasing a home is a fun process, and it's made even better when you have an all-in-one checklist.

- Furnace or boiler?** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Determine if the home has a furnace or boiler. Then you can tell what kind of maintenance will be required, check for a warranty, and understand the efficiency and longevity of the system.
- Determine age of HVAC unit** date: ___ / ___ / ___
If your new home's HVAC unit is too old, it may not run as efficiently as you'd like, which means it could be more expensive to operate in the long-run.
- Who installed the unit?** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Check who installed the home's unit in order to contact that provider if any questions about the system arise.
- Is system still under warranty?** date: ___ / ___ / ___
To find out if your system is still under a warranty, you may have to contact the company who installed the unit.
- Heat pumps & efficiency** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Just like any other piece of HVAC equipment, heat pumps require maintenance, and you should see if factors such as size and efficiency work for you.
- Does it need renovations** date: ___ / ___ / ___
The most important thing to remember is to take renovations one step at a time, starting with creating timelines and budgets.
- Check ductwork** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Turn on the HVAC system to ensure air flows through the ductwork. Ensure there are no leaks.
- Check CO2 and smoke detectors** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Replace batteries and test each alarm.
- Seal doors and windows** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Sealing air leaks around key areas like windows and doorways is one of the least expensive things you can do.
- Check for small leaks** date: ___ / ___ / ___
You can have a solid plumbing system and still experience small leaks. That shouldn't be a deal breaker as long as you've determined it's not an issue with the pipes.
- Are pipes insulated?** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Water pipe insulation is a relatively inexpensive way to prevent heat loss, save money, and many other benefits for you and your new home.
- Water heater update** date: ___ / ___ / ___
If you're looking at a home that's older, you'll quickly notice if there are issues with your water taking a while to heat up.
- Locate shut off valves** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Most main water shut-off valves can be found in the utility room, closet, or basement.
- Test all faucets/flush all toilets** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Check for things like water pressure and if the tank refills properly on the toilet.
- Check for water damage** date: ___ / ___ / ___
If there are signs of water damage, make sure the problem has been fixed.
- Clean/replace AC air filter** date: ___ / ___ / ___
Determine your new home's furnace filter size.

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