



Safety Hazards

Preventive Maintenance

Dryer Vent Fires



This is one of the most common and dangerous issues that can be solved with preventive maintenance.

Lint from the dryer builds up in the lint filter and or the ductwork leading to the exterior of your house.

Recent fire codes often require solid metal ductwork while many of the old homes / condos still have the original wire-plastic flex hose that was standard decades ago.

Be sure your system is up to current code and have it cleaned regularly.

Fall Prevention

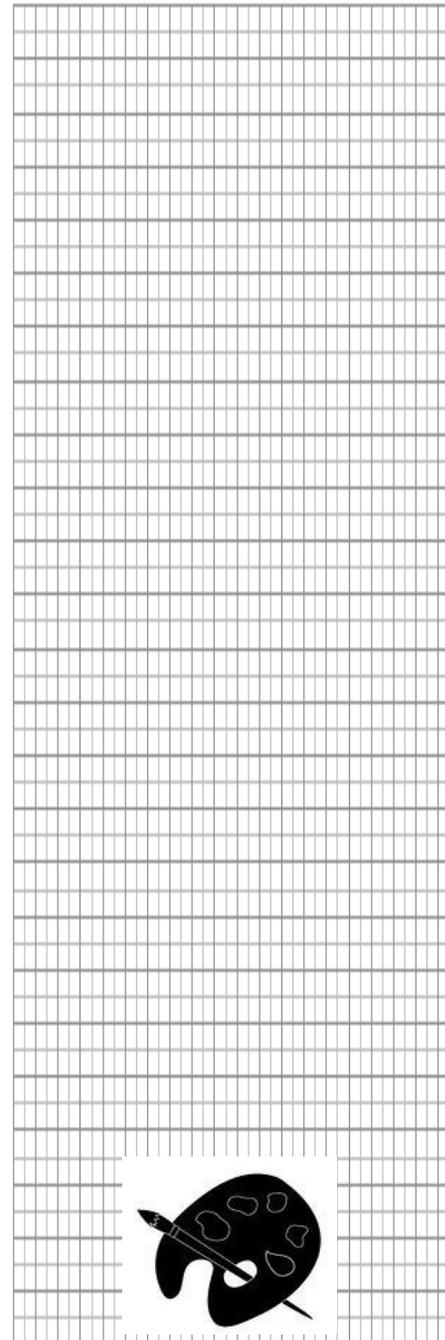
Have you fallen before? Write down the details, including when, where and how you fell. Be prepared to discuss instances when you almost fell but were caught by someone or managed to grab hold of something just in time. Details such as these may help your doctor identify specific fall-prevention strategies.

Remove slippery scatter rugs in favor of heavier rugs without a bulky edge to trip over.



Be Creative

Design it ~ Create it



Home Maintenance

Save on Repairs

Expect to pay up to three percent (3%) of the market value of your home every year to maintain it in tip-top condition.

As an example, a typical Maine home with a market value of \$ 200,000 means your average annual maintenance will be $200,000 \times .03$ or \$ 6,000 per year. So, you say, "I do not spend that much!" Over time, you must consider the life-cycle of major equipment and components of your home system such items as: roofing, siding, windows-doors, heating system, kitchen cabinets, bathroom fixtures, landscaping, appliance replacement.

Plan Benefits

- Pre-arranged monthly schedule of visits
- Dedicated, trustworthy repair person
- Worry-free "Peace of mind" maintenance
- Plan to enhance your resale value
- Lower energy usage
- Fewer breakdowns
- Longer appliance / equipment life
- Make aging at home easier and safer
- Network team of skilled trades people





Home Repairs Savings Plans

Plan & Save

Secret to Home Repairs: Plan & Save by Scott Van Voorhis Published June 24, 2011 Bankrate.com

“Which is harder? saving for a down payment and getting a mortgage on your first house, or paying for maintenance and repairs after you buy it?

If you think paying for maintenance and repairs is easier, you're probably among the majority of first-time homebuyers -- and wrong, housing experts say...

You need to build a team: Get the numbers of a few good contractors you can call when something breaks. At the least, you will need the number for an HVAC professional, a plumber, an electrician and a roofer, says Jorge Casas.

Start saving. Knowing that your furnace has three more years to live is pointless if the dreaded day comes and you don't have a dime socked away...”



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Maintenance Check List

Check List to consider

Maintenance performed regularly and on schedule provides optimum longevity and helps prevent potential breakdowns or malfunctions. Beyond maintenance procedures for operational sake, the primary (and most important) reason for checking, inspecting, and constantly tuning up your home is to ensure maximum safety for you and your family. (from Dummies.com)

Make these tasks part of your monthly home maintenance schedule:

- Check water-purification filters.
- Clean and replace furnace filters.
- Wash & rinse the clothes-dryer lint screen.
- Clean and brighten tile and grout.
- Test smoke-detector sensors and alarms.
- Test carbon-monoxide detectors.
- Vacuum out dust from refrigerator coils.
- Cleanout dust from computer



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Home Savings Repair Plans

Pricing

Price Range: \$ 25 and up per month

Factors affecting rates:

- Best rates for Knightville neighborhood
- Frequency of visits. Monthly, weekly, bi-weekly.
- Your Customized Check List
- Mileage, if you are more than 10 miles away.

Terms:

- Annual subscription contract with monthly billing
- Convenient online secure billing with Intuit

Subscription membership benefits:

- “Members Only” coupons & Newsletter
- Team of pre-qualified skilled trades people
- Design ideas using latest materials and décor ideas
- Lower prices on repair parts and quoted repair work

Sample Basic Plan:

Harbor Place Condos: \$ 25/month plan includes:

- One-hour monthly scheduled repair visit.
- Create a plan for other repair needs.
- Create and implement maintenance check list.

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