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A Change Of Seasons

There's something magical about the first snowfall of the season. The silence gives us time to reflect on our lives, and the sight of falling snow can be mesmerizing. That first snow also brings time to think about fall tasks that we've hopefully completed in preparation for winter. Sometimes it feels like there's always one more thing to add to our "to-do" lists.



One of those things is to make sure our furnaces are tuned-up or checked during the winter. Many of you have us come out for annual maintenance to make sure you're always prepared. Some of these appointments take place in September or October, while others are in the late spring. The key isn't the timing, but that your HVAC system is being checked annually.

We encourage you to turn on your furnace before it gets really cold. Run it for 10-15 minutes to make sure it starts up and begins to heat up your house. If it doesn't start to heat, then please call us at **801-296-0477** to schedule a time to have one of our technicians check your heating system.

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Have you ever stopped to consider how much money you spend to operate your home's major appliances? The average U.S. household spends around \$1,000 each year on electricity to run common household appliances. So when it's time to purchase a new home appliance, look for the ENERGY STAR® label, designating products that are built to save energy. Not only will energy-efficient appliances decrease your utility

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bills, but when used properly, you'll also minimize your personal impact on the environment.

The cost of running appliances varies because each one uses different amounts of energy. Here are a few tips to help you save on utility costs.

Refrigerators: Refrigerators last an average of 13 years. High-efficiency models can consume up to 40% less energy, with a potential to save at least \$150 over a year of use. Some best practices are to keep your refrigerator set at 37°F, so food stays fresh without making your fridge work so hard, and to keep it full so it won't lose as much coolness when the door is open.

Dishwashers: On average, dishwashers last about 9–13 years. If you're using a high-efficiency dishwasher over this time period, you'll use half as much water and 40% less electricity, which can equal a big cost savings! Run full loads whenever possible to save water and energy.

Ranges & Ovens: The lifespan of an electric range is about 13–15 years and a gas range will usually last around 15–17 years. If you have a high-efficiency induction range you'll use less energy because it heats cookware much faster and doesn't allow as much heat to escape. Regularly cleaning the cooktop and the oven will help extend its lifespan.

HVAC Systems: If your HVAC system is more than 10–15 years old, you're probably not getting the most efficiency — and comfort — for your energy dollars. A new high-efficiency system can save you money on operating costs, and keep your home more comfortable. ■



Upgrading to energy-efficient home appliances may be eligible for federal tax credits. Visit energystar.gov, and under "Tax credits for residential energy efficiency," click "See Eligibility."

Time For System Maintenance

Regular maintenance of your HVAC system is as important as regularly changing the oil or checking the tires on your vehicle. Not only does it keep your HVAC system working at peak efficiency, it's also the best way to spot potential problems before they occur. It's best to have a system check twice a year.



Regular system maintenance helps prevent breakdowns and improve efficiency — extending the life of your HVAC equipment.

A typical furnace checkup includes an overall system evaluation to make sure your heating equipment is operating correctly. We'll also check electrical functions and ignition controls; lubricate moving parts; check filters and drains; inspect and clean the flue; and check the burners and heat exchanger. Proper maintenance protects your investment and offers you peace of mind, knowing that your comfort system will be there when you need it the most.

Call us to schedule a seasonal checkup. Our home comfort professionals are ready to put their expertise to work for you. ■

Tip Check smoke and carbon monoxide detector batteries every six months to make sure they're in working order.

LENNOX A Comfortable Choice

We all want a comfortable home without uncomfortably high utility bills. And the Lennox® SLP98V gas furnace may just offer you a balance between the two.



The Lennox SLP98V furnace provides quiet, energy-efficient operation and precise heating.

This top-of-the-line furnace offers enhanced humidity control, an ultralow constant fan and an insulated blower compartment. With an efficiency rating of up to 98.7% AFUE, you'll enjoy lower utility costs and years of high-efficiency use.

Another benefit is that this system is virtually silent due to exclusive SilentComfort™ technology, which reduces sound levels even when operating at full capacity. It's also iComfort Wi-Fi®-enabled, so you'll enjoy the benefits of consistent temperature control.

If it's time to replace your current heating system, the SLP98V may be just the right fit for your home. ■

Question & Answer

How do you know when it's time to change an air filter?

The air that flows throughout your home is drawn into and through your HVAC unit, and tempered air is then blown back into individual rooms. The unit's air filter collects airborne particles, so indoor air is cleaner and the airflow to your HVAC unit doesn't become restricted. It's best to check the filter once a month and change or clean it as needed, but not to let more than 90 days pass between times.

Different types of air filters require different types of care (see chart at left). And the more people who live in your home, the more airborne pollutants, so the filter may need to be changed more frequently. If you have health issues or allergies, you could benefit from changing the filter monthly. If you have pets, the air filter is likely to fill up faster than if you don't have a pet. And when it's peak heating or cooling season, you may want to check and change the filter more often.

Be sure to set a reminder on your phone or mark a calendar, so you don't forget to check, change or clean your air filter on a regular basis. ■

When to change your air filter:	
Filter Type	Replacement Frequency
Traditional Fiberglass or Polyester	Monthly
Washable/Reusable	Washed out monthly and reused
Electronic Air Cleaner	Cleaned regularly (once a month)
Ordinary Flat or Pleated	Every 2-3 months
Pleated, Permanently Charged Electrostatic	Every 2-3 months
Deep Pleated	Once or twice a year

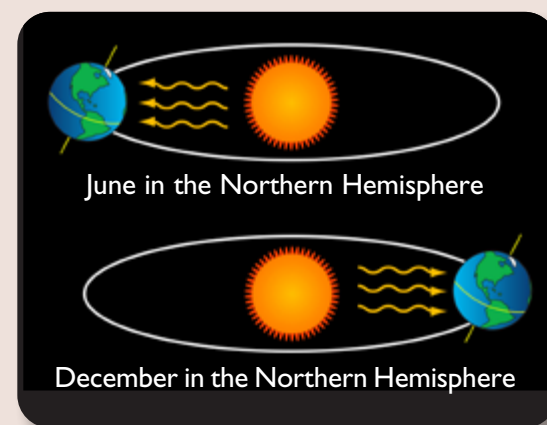
Air filter type will effect how often to change your air filter. Please use the chart above as a guide.

Earth & Atmosphere

How Seasons Form

Some believe that Earth's distance from the Sun is what influences the change of seasons, but this isn't at all the case. Because the Earth's orbit is slightly lopsided, the distance from the Sun does vary some, but relatively speaking, it isn't by much.

The real cause for our changing seasons is the tilt of the Earth's axis. Over the course of the year, the Earth travels once around the Sun tilted on its axis at 23.5 degrees. Due to this tilting, the sun shines directly on the Northern Hemisphere in June, causing warming temperatures and summer. At this same time, the Southern Hemisphere is getting indirect sunlight and it is winter there. Six months later, the Earth has traveled to the "other side" of the Sun and the Northern Hemisphere is receiving indirect sunlight, causing cooler temperatures and winter, while the Southern Hemisphere gets the direct sunlight and summer. The Sun shines equally on the Northern and Southern Hemispheres in spring and fall. ■



Earth rotates on its axis as it orbits the Sun, but the axis always points in the same direction.

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