



1 Test and maintain smoke detectors



2 Inspect furnace annually and clean or replace air filters monthly

3 Leave the heat on and have someone check on your home while on vacation

4 Ensure all plumbing fixtures are running regularly to prevent frozen pipes

5 Test plumbing shut-off valves

6 Inspect your attic for frost accumulation and check your roof for ice dams or icicles



7 Keep your home's sidewalks and front stairs clear of snow and ice

8 Keep snow off gas meters, appliance and exhaust vents, and basement windows

9 Drain garden hoses and trim branches near your home or electrical wires



10 Prevent frozen pipes by fitting exposed pipes with insulation sleeves