

Protect Your Basement With These Fall Winterizing Tips

- **01.** Identify and fix water leaks throughout the home, including the basement or crawl space.
- **02.** Inspect the foundation for cracks and damage and repair immediately.
- **03.** Fill gaps between windows, doors, and exterior walls with caulk.
- **04.** Cover basement windows with plastic film to keep in heat.
- **05.** Insulate pipes with foam insulation.
- **06.** Seal exposed ductwork with aluminum tape.
- **07.** Replace furnace filters to reduce energy use.
- **08.** Update crawl space insulation.
- **09.** Add interior drains and a sump pump to protect against water damage.