FALL LOSS PREVENTION MEASURES

Expedite ongoing repairs to secure your house before winter.

Conduct a thorough inspection of the roof, checking for missing, broken, cracked, or curling bare spots where protective coating has worn off.

Roof cement should be used to seal minor cracks, and to glue down curled shingles.

Trim back all vegetation away from roof. Regular trimming protects the roof from unintentional damage from overhanging branches, and will prolong the life of the roof.

Remove debris from gutters and down spouts. Install gutter guards to prevent debris accumulation.

Inspect the perimeter, doors and windows of the home for gaps and cracks. Apply caulk and weather-stripping where necessary.

Clean chimney. Repair any cracks in the chimney flue.



Secure pipe insulation sleeves around exposed pipe tubes. Wrap fiberglass insulation around plumbing elbows and secure with duct tape.

Disconnect and drain garden hoses and outdoor water spigots. Swimming pools should be drained and winterized.

Gas and oil burners should be professionally serviced for maintenance.

Lubricate the circulating pump on hot water heating systems. Bleed air from hot water radiators.

Forced warm air heating systems should be cleaned of any dirt accumulation.

Check accuracy of the thermostat. Clean heat sensor.

Replace any damaged doors or windows. Replace window screens with storm windows. Loose doorframes should be replaced. Tighten and lubricate door hinges and closers.