

Bullseye Bulletin

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Essential AC Maintenance Tips



During the hottest times of the year, we take for granted that our AC unit will continue to perform efficiently and cool our homes. Without proper AC annual maintenance, our AC units lifespan can be greatly reduced. Most HVAC companies will come out annually for a tune-up of your system; however, if you're the DIY type, below are 5 tips to keep your AC unit running smoothly.

Change Filters: Check your filter monthly and replace it when dirty to maintain strong airflow. Air Filters should be replaced every 3 months unless unusually dirty.

Clear the Area: Remove leaves, grass clippings, and bushes at least two feet away from the outdoor unit. Air is the lifeline of your system and starving your system of essential air can damage important components and/or cause your system to run inefficiently.

Wash Outdoor Coils: Spray the outer metal coils gently with a regular garden hose (never a pressure washer) to clear away dirt and pollen. This allows air flow to the AC compressor.

Flush Drain Lines: Pour a cup of white vinegar into the indoor condensate drain line monthly to prevent algae and blockages.

Optimize Air Flow: Using ceiling fans can make the room feel 4-6 degrees cooler! Also, keeping air registers open to allow proper air flow to all parts of the home.

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