Winter House Cleaning Checklist

Print it, stick it on the fridge, and check off as you go. Dust, salt, and bathroom mold stay ahead of you instead of piling up.

Start here: do these 3 once at the start of winter

- ☐ Change the HVAC filter — so the heat stops pushing dust through the house
- ☐ Clean the dryer vent — cuts the fire risk and dries loads faster
- ☐ Clean the bathroom exhaust fan — vents winter steam instead of growing mold

Every Room

☐ Wipe high-touch surfaces: handles, switches, remotes, faucets	*Weekly*
☐ Vacuum and damp-dust	*Weekly*
☐ Clear clutter off surfaces	*Weekly*
☐ Clean vents and registers	*Monthly*
☐ Wipe baseboards	*Monthly*
☐ Dust ceiling fans and light fixtures	*Monthly*

Entryway and Mudroom

☐ Shake out and wash entry mats	*Weekly*
☐ Wipe salt residue off floors	*Weekly / after storms*
☐ Empty and wipe the boot tray	*Weekly*
☐ Wipe pets' paws at the door	*Each time (pets)*

Living Room

☐ Vacuum the fabric sofa and upholstery	*Weekly to monthly*
☐ Wash throws and blankets	*Monthly*
☐ Clean the curtains	*Monthly*
☐ Clear fireplace ash and wipe the glass	*Weekly in use*

Kitchen

☐ Wipe handles and the stovetop	*Daily*
☐ Swap sponges and dishcloths	*Often*
☐ Clean behind and under the fridge and stove	*Monthly*
☐ Wipe the refrigerator door gasket	*Monthly*
☐ Clean the oven after holiday cooking	*Seasonal*

Bathroom

☐ Run and clean the exhaust fan	*Seasonal*
☐ Scrub grout and silicone for mold	*Monthly*
☐ Descale the showerhead	*As needed*
☐ Wash or swap the shower curtain and liner	*Monthly*

Bedrooms

☐ Wash the bedding (weekly + hot if sick/allergies)	*Weekly to biweekly*
☐ Vacuum the mattress	*Monthly*
☐ Wipe windowsills where condensation collects	*Weekly*
☐ Clean the humidifier	*Weekly*

Laundry and Utility

☐ Change the HVAC filter	*Every 1 to 3 months*
☐ Clean the dryer vent	*Seasonal*
☐ Run a cleaning cycle on the washing machine	*Seasonal*

Do it more often if: *someone is sick (disinfect high-touch spots daily) • you have pets (vacuum and wipe paws more) • allergies are in play (HEPA vacuum, damp cloth, wash bedding weekly in hot water).*