



Home Winterization Checklist

BE PREPARED

- Rent an air compressor
- Have non-toxic antifreeze on hand
- Acquire a heat-resistant garden hose
- Make a list of all interior and exterior water valves and taps

SHUT OFF YOUR WATER SUPPLY

- Shut off main water valve
- Shut off water heater and pump

DRAIN FIXTURES AND EXTERIOR TAPS

- Work from top to bottom floors
- Open all hot and cold water faucets
- Flush all toilets
- Shut off and drain appliances
- Soak up or siphon out any remaining water
- Open all exterior taps and valves
- Double-check your work by checking your prepared list

EMPTY OUT YOUR HOT WATER TANK

- Turn off gas or electricity to water heater
- Identify whether or not hot water tank has a floor drain
- In absence of drain, attach a heat-resistant garden hose
- Open water tank valve to drain
- Use caution as water may be hot!

PREVENT YOUR PIPES FROM FREEZING

- Apply antifreeze to all toilets and drain traps
- Maintain an interior heat source (if possible)
- Insulate exposed pipes and crawl spaces
- Cover up any vents that lead outside

WRAPPING UP

- Always consult a professional for questions or concerns
- Leave signage to notify others that water has been shut off
- Leave taps and valves open until property is de-winterized