



# Are You Ready for Winter?

## KEEP THE COLD AIR OUT:

Seal holes and seams in your ductwork and gaps around doors, windows and outlets.

Ensure you have 12-15 inches of attic insulation, or an R-38 level.

## LET THE SUN SHINE IN:



Open curtains or blinds during the day to let the sun warm your home.

Close them at night for an extra source of insulation.

## HEATING SYSTEM:



Make sure your home's heating system operates safely and efficiently for the season ahead. Arrange for a qualified technician to do the inspection. Change the furnace filter regularly.

## THERMOSTAT:



You can save an average of 2% on your energy bill for every degree you lower your thermostat.

## HOT WATER HEATER:

Lower the temperature on your water heater and conserve hot water when you can.

## CLEAR THE VENTS:

Natural gas appliances vent to the exterior of your home. Make sure these vents do not become blocked by snow or ice.

When blocked, exhaust may back up into your home resulting in carbon monoxide build-up or a release of natural gas - a life-threatening situation.

