

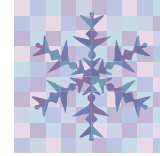
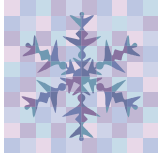
10 steps to prepare buildings for winter



- Remove** combustibles from furnace room.
- Book** furnace/boiler and chimney inspections.
- Remove** window air conditioning units.
- Seal** areas where cold air can enter the building.
- Check** insulation in attic and crawl spaces near pipes.
- Inspect** roof shingles & structure for snow load bearing.
- Cover** air conditioner compressors.
- Clean** eave troughs and drainpipes of all debris.
- Trim** trees to prevent falling branches in high winds.
- Repair** fences, gates and outbuildings.



5 winter maintenance reminders



Maintain interior room temperature above 12°C to prevent pipes from freezing.

Shut off water valves and drain all pipes in unheated buildings.

Inspect roof regularly, especially after heavy snowfalls. Hire a contractor to perform snow removal as necessary to prevent roof collapse.

Clear snow away from building to avoid water ingress during sudden thaws.

Open kitchen and washroom cabinet doors to allow warm air to circulate to pipes.

Remember – If pipes freeze, leave faucet turned on and turn off the main shut-off valve. Do not attempt to thaw pipes using any type of open flame – call a contractor.

