- Check ceilings and walls for water stains, dark spots, bubbling paint - signs of leaks or excess humidity.

- Inspect plumbing areas (bathrooms, kitchens, basement) for:

- Musty odors
- Soft or swollen drywall
- Peeling paint
- Dark patches

- Check tile and grout for cracks, chips, or missing joints - water can seep in and damage the base layers.

- Check transitions between tile and drywall - no cracks, lifting, or discoloration. Moisture at these spots can lead to mold and structural damage.

- Test smoke and carbon monoxide detectors, and replace batteries if needed.

- Look for mold or mildew on tile, around tubs and sinks.

- Check the silicone sealant around tubs, showers, and sinks should be intact and mold-free.
- Test all outlets and light switches no overheating, sparks, or burnt smell.
- Inspect door and window seals there should be no drafts or gaps.
- Check door locks, hinges, and handles no looseness or sagging.
- Examine under sinks and around toilets for leaks.
- Check flooring and baseboards look for warping, cracks, or separation.
- Test exhaust fans in the kitchen and bathroom ensure they function properly.
- Vacuum or clean HVAC and vent grilles.
- Inspect attic (if accessible) for signs of leaks, pests, or damaged insulation.

EXTERIOR EXTERIOR INSPECTION

Every month:

- Check gutters: water should flow freely and exit through downspouts, not overflow.
- If water runs under the roof edge or fascia that's a red flag. Gutters may be clogged or broken.
- Make sure gutters and downspouts are securely attached, especially after storms or winter.

GENERAL TIPS

- Keep a log: date - issue - action taken.

- Take photos of small issues useful for tracking changes over time.
- Fixing problems early is always cheaper than dealing with major repairs later.
- If unsure call a professional. Don't wait until it's too late.
- Regular inspections protect your comfort, safety, and property value.

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