

Winterizing Your Home

Being proactive is far less costly than emergency repairs. Here are some weatherization measures and safety tips to help you prepare for the colder months ahead.



Maintenance

- Replace furnace filters every three months.
- Keep a small pail of ice melt available for your driveways to avoid slipping.
- Remove all portable AC units.
- The thermostat should be set between 18°C-22°C at all times.
- Ensure there is proper ventilation during the winter months. Open the curtains and blinds during the day to prevent mold from forming around the windows.
- Condo Residents: Keep windows and patio doors closed during the winter months to prevent burst pipes.
- Check outdoor parking plugs to ensure they are working
- Check fire alarms and carbon monoxide detectors
- Store BBQ, lawn furniture and decor.

Holiday Safety

- Christmas trees and decor need to be kept away from heat sources.
- Real Christmas trees require regular watering, dry trees are a fire hazard.
- Condo residents: ensure you bylaws allow you to hang Christmas lights.
- Do not leave your property with Christmas lights on since they can be a fire hazard.
- Keep candles away from curtains bedding, and Christmas trees.

Have a Maintenance Request?

Access your tenant portal: [Help.HopeStreet.ca](https://help.hopestreet.ca) to leave a request with your property administrator. Our team is on call 24/7. For emergencies (no water, no heat, or flooding) call our emergency after hours line at 403-520-5220.