

Winter Homestead Checklist

For Interior Spaces

Use this checklist after reading [Winter Homestead Preparations](#). The post explains what should be done before the winter snow starts falling. Check off the items when completed. There are extra spaces for you to add your own.

Heating Sources:

- Check and service your heat source.
- Clean vents and ducts and make sure they have a clear path to them.
- Clean chimney and flue on fireplace and woodstove.
- Check if firewood supply is enough to last through winter.
- Check weatherstripping, caulking and drafts on windows/doors.

Prepping:

- Do you have at least a 1 week supply of food on hand for emergencies?
- Do you have enough water?
- Emergency Kit prepared and ready.
- Winter clothes washed and ready? (socks, boots, and scarves too)
- Extra blankets available.

Plumbing:

- Are pipes wrapped and protected from freezing.
- Check for any leaks or damage.

Barn/Coop/Pens:

- All drafts sealed.
- Windows and doors covered for winter. (plastic or wood)
- Good supply of hay and bedding for the winter.
- Source to prevent water from freezing.

- Enough feed stocked up for winter.
- Animals are healthy and up to date with immunizations.

Garden/Greenhouse/Potting Shed:

- Tools ready for spring. (oiled, sharpened)
- Hoses and spigots protected from freezing.
- Plants protected or removed. (or heat source ready)

Garage/Equipment Buildings:

- Maintenance performed on equipment.
- Gas added of retired for season and added if will be used.
- Antifreeze full.
- Chains or plow installed.
- Tires appropriate pressure. Condition checked.
- Snow shovels available, salt stocked up and ready.

Other areas to be prepared/inspected:

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