

How to Get Your Home Ready for a Hot Summer

St. Louis summers can be real scorchers, and if your home isn't up to the challenge, you could be in for a long couple of months of expensive cooling bills and low indoor comfort. Here are some tips to get your home ready for hot weather.

Spring AC Maintenance

An AC maintenance visit from SmartHouse can help you avoid unexpected and inconvenient cooling system breakdowns in the middle of summer, and give you peace of mind that your air conditioner is ready to handle the summer heat.

Ceiling Fans

If you have ceiling fans, make sure to use them! Fans don't lower the actual temperature in a room, but they make you feel cooler and more comfortable on a summer day and can help keep your energy bills low during the hottest months of the year.

Air Sealing

Air sealing closes up cracks, gaps, and air leaks commonly found around recessed lighting, electrical outlets, and anywhere that wires or cables go in and out of your home. With less energy waste, you'll benefit from lower AC costs and higher indoor comfort.

Insulation Evaluation

Proper home insulation will work hard all summer long to keep hot temperatures out of your home. Having your home's insulation checked in your attic, basements, and walls before the weather warms up is a great way to reduce wear and tear on your HVAC system as well.

Smart Thermostats

Smart thermostats take the money savings of programmable thermostats to the next level! Not only will you benefit from reduced energy waste while you're asleep or away from home, but you can control your HVAC system anywhere, right from your phone or computer!

Whole-Home Ventilation

If you have air pollutants circulating in your home, you could be uncomfortable no matter what temperature it is inside. Whole-home ventilation systems, like ERVs, deliver fresh filtered air throughout your house while minimizing energy waste.

Weatherstripping

Can you see cracks under any of your exterior doors? Even small gaps can lead to significant energy loss and discomfort in the middle of the summer. Weatherstripping is inexpensive and will help keep your home comfortable year-round.

HVAC Upgrades

If you have an old, inefficient air conditioner, now could be a good time to replace it. A new AC system, as well as high-efficiency HVAC alternatives like heat pumps and ductless mini splits, can reduce your summer energy bills while improving indoor comfort.

Make sure your St. Louis home is ready for the summer heat.
Contact us today to find the right cooling solution with SmartHouse.

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