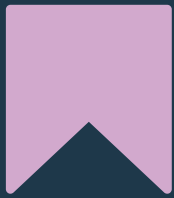




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## ✓ Check and bleed your radiators (if you have them)

If your home has a hydronic heating system, bleeding radiators helps release trapped air so your heating works more efficiently, a commonly missed but important task.

*Source: RACV Home Tips*

## ✓ Inspect roof tiles and flashing for damage

A cracked tile or loose flashing can let water into your ceiling during winter storms. This is often missed until leaks become a costly problem.

*Source: Hipages & Australian Home Building Guide*

## ✓ Schedule a pest control check

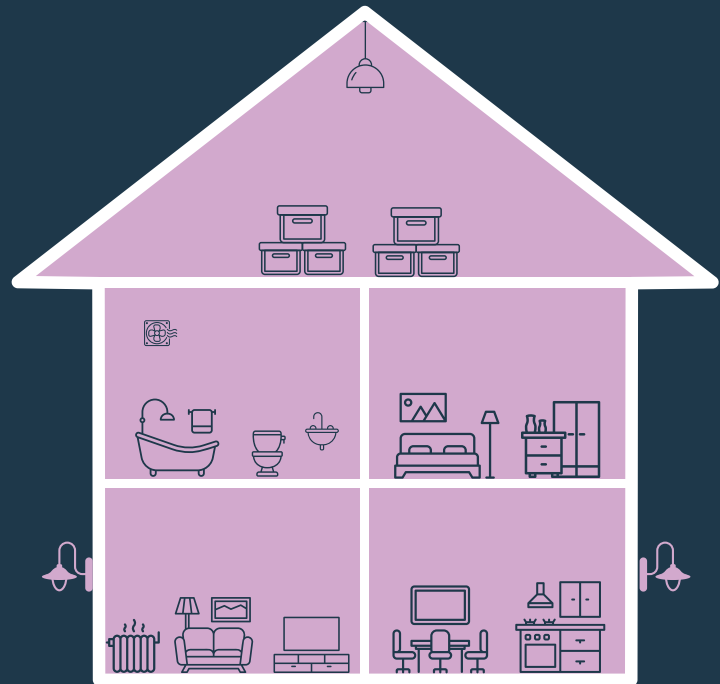
Winter sends pests like rats, spiders and possums indoors. Booking a winter inspection can stop infestations before they start.

*Source: Australian Pest Control Association (APCA)*

## ✓ Reverse your ceiling fans

Switch your fan to clockwise to push warm air down. A trick that many forget but can significantly improve comfort and reduce heating costs.

*Source: Choice Australia*



## ✓ Inspect outdoor lighting and pathways

With shorter days and slippery surfaces, ensuring outdoor lights work and paths are clear helps prevent falls, especially important if you have kids or older family members.

*Source: Safe Work Australia & Bunnings Winter Guide*

## ✓ Review your home insurance coverage

Winter brings risks like burst pipes, storm damage and fire hazards. It's worth checking if your policy covers these events, something easily forgotten but potentially critical.

*Source: Canstar & Insurance Council of Australia*

### Pro Tip:

Even the most thorough homeowners tend to focus only on heating but winter preparedness is about prevention too. These six items can save you hundreds (or thousands) in repairs and discomfort.

