

SUMMER LOSS PREVENTION MEASURES

Conduct regular maintenance on central air conditioning systems. Filters should be changed on a monthly basis during the summer. Be alert for water leaks.

Keep vegetation at a distance of one foot from the exterior coil and fan.

Repair driveway and walkways if necessary.

Clean and seal decks.

Disconnect the dryer duct and vacuum lint from the duct, the immediate dryer area, and the external dryer hood.

Check all window and door locks.

Check the water hoses on washing machines, refrigerators, and dishwashers for signs of leakage.



Swimming Pool Safety

The pool must be secured at all times. All gates should be lockable.

Pool slides and diving boards are especially dangerous. If in use, regular maintenance to tighten all bolts and be certain the apparatus is secured to the concrete, is essential to reducing the risk of injury.

Steps should be covered with a non-skid material, and accompanied by handrails.

Do not allow swimmers to enter the pool unless the pool cover is completely removed.

Pool chemicals should be stored out of reach from children.

While on Summer Vacation

Ask a neighbor to be aware of any activity around the home. To maintain the appearance of the home being occupied, instruct the neighbor to collect mail on a daily basis.

Be certain a neighbor is aware of the water main shut off in the event of a broken pipe.

Unplug appliances, including televisions and computers, to prevent igniting a fire in the event of a power surge or outage.

Air conditioning systems, including central air systems, should be turned off while the home is unoccupied.

If interior and external lights are equipped with timers, set them to turn on at appropriate times to give the appearance of the home being occupied.