



Winter Preparation Check List

Garden

- ☐ Summer crops harvested, preserved, and stored.
- ☐ Fall crops are planted.
- ☐ Prepare cold-frames and mini hoop-houses to cover winter-hardy crops.
- ☐ Pick up, clean, and put away tools.
- ☐ Store mowers or other such equipment, making sure they are cleaned of dirt and debris.
- ☐ Pull dead plants and add to compost.
- ☐ Hoses, irrigation equipment, and all watering devices removed, drained, and stored.
- ☐ Protect exposed pipes by insulating or wrapping with heat tape.

Animals

- ☐ Stop drafts in barns/livestock sheds.
- ☐ Check for rain leaks.
- ☐ Maintain adequate ventilation in barns/sheds.
- ☐ Thorough fall cleanings of livestock housing.
- ☐ Make necessary repairs to barns and/or livestock sheds.
- ☐ Stock up on feed and bedding for all livestock.
- ☐ Prepare to provide water to livestock through winter and check heated waterers.

House

- ☐ Prepare well-pumps.
- ☐ Re-install storm windows.
- ☐ Check heat source and have it serviced.
- ☐ Inspect and clean chimney/flue.
- ☐ Check carbon monoxide and smoke alarm

Prepare winter-survival equipment and gather in one place.

- ☐ Flashlight(s)
- ☐ Emergency radio
- ☐ Batteries
- ☐ Enough food and water to last a minimum of 3 days, along with manual can opener.
- ☐ Emergency heat-source
- ☐ Blankets and/or sleeping bags
- ☐ Emergency cook-source (i.e. camp-stove, etc.)

