

DIY HOME SUSTAINABILITY

checklist

AIR SEALING & INSULATION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK FOR DRAFTS AROUND DOORS, WINDOWS, AND OUTLETS | <input type="checkbox"/> INSULATE BASEMENT RIM JOISTS AND CRAWLSPACES |
| <input type="checkbox"/> USE WEATHER STRIPPING OR CAULK WHERE NEEDED | <input type="checkbox"/> SEAL GAPS AROUND PLUMBING AND WIRING PENETRATIONS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> INSPECT ATTIC INSULATION | <input type="checkbox"/> CLOSE FIREPLACE FLUE WHEN NOT IN USE |

LIGHTING & ELECTRONICS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> REPLACE ALL BULBS WITH LEDS | <input type="checkbox"/> SET TIMERS OR MOTION SENSORS ON OUTDOOR LIGHTING |
| <input type="checkbox"/> USE SMART POWER STRIPS OR UNPLUG DEVICES WHEN NOT IN USE | <input type="checkbox"/> USE DAYLIGHT AND OPEN BLINDS INSTEAD OF LIGHTS DURING DAYTIME |

HEATING & COOLING

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| <input type="checkbox"/> REPLACE FURNACE/AC FILTERS (TRI-MONTHLY OR SEASONALLY) | <input type="checkbox"/> CLEAN AND SERVICE HVAC SYSTEM BEFORE EACH SEASON |
| <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK FOR LEAKING DUCTWORK, ESPECIALLY IN UNCONDITIONED SPACES | <input type="checkbox"/> USE CEILING FANS (REVERSE DIRECTION IN WINTER) |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> INSULATE EXPOSED DUCTWORK AND HOT WATER PIPES |



ENERGY & APPLIANCES

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| <input type="checkbox"/> USE ENERGY STAR-RATED APPLIANCES | <input type="checkbox"/> AIR-DRY CLOTHES WHEN POSSIBLE |
| <input type="checkbox"/> LOWER WATER HEATER TEMPERATURE TO 120°F | <input type="checkbox"/> USE A SMART PLUG TO MEASURE DEVICE CONSUMPTION |
| <input type="checkbox"/> WASH LAUNDRY WITH COLD WATER | <input type="checkbox"/> SCHEDULE LARGE APPLIANCE USE DURING OFF-PEAK HOURS |

WATER CONSERVATION

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| <input type="checkbox"/> INSTALL LOW-FLOW SHOWERHEADS AND FAUCET AERATORS | <input type="checkbox"/> USE A RAIN BARREL TO COLLECT WATER FOR GARDEN |
| <input type="checkbox"/> FIX LEAKY FAUCETS AND RUNNING TOILETS | <input type="checkbox"/> ONLY RUN DISHWASHER AND LAUNDRY WITH FULL LOADS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> INSULATE YOUR WATER HEATER AND PIPES | |

LANDSCAPING & GARDENING (ZONE 6A SPECIFIC)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> USE NATIVE AND DROUGHT TOLERANT PLANTS | <input type="checkbox"/> PLANT WINDBREAKS OR SHRUBS TO BLOCK WINTER WIND |
| <input type="checkbox"/> MULCH GARDEN BEDS TO RETAIN MOISTURE AND INSULATE SOIL | <input type="checkbox"/> SHADE EAST/WEST WINDOWS WITH TREES OR AWNINGS |
| <input type="checkbox"/> COMPOST FOOD AND YARD SCRAPS | <input type="checkbox"/> AVOID SYNTHETIC PESTICIDES AND FERTILIZERS |

LIFESTYLE & HABITS

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| <input type="checkbox"/> REDUCE SINGLE-USE PLASTICS AND PACKAGING | <input type="checkbox"/> RECYCLE AND DONATE RESPONSIBLY |
| <input type="checkbox"/> BUY LOCAL AND SECONDHAND WHEN POSSIBLE | <input type="checkbox"/> REVIEW ENERGY BILL SEASONALLY |

