NEW HOMEOWNER'S COMPREHENSIVE GUTTER MAINTENANCE CHECKLIST



Regular Inspections



Frequency

Check gutters every 3 months and after severe weather conditions.

Inspect for blockages: Clear leaves, debris, and any obstructions from gutters and downspouts.

Check for leaks: Look for any signs of leaks, cracks, or loose connections.

Assess alignment: Ensure gutters are properly aligned and securely attached to the roofline.

Professional Assistance

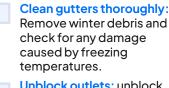


Annual Inspection: Consider scheduling an annual professional inspection and cleaning.

Expert Repairs: If unsure or unable to manage, hire professionals for repairs or thorough cleanings.



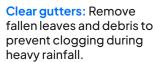
Spring:



Unblock outlets: unblock all outlets and test the downpipes to the drain.

Warning! Do not flush any debris down the Downpipe, it could cause blockages in the drains!

Autumn:



Secure gutters: Tighten brackets and ensure proper fastening.

Immediate Action Items

Address Leaks Promptly: Repair any identified leaks or damage immediately to prevent further deterioration.



Summer:

Trim surrounding trees: Cut back branches overhanging the roof to prevent excessive debris accumulation.

Gutter contraction / expansion: Reposition and reconnect any gutter ioints that have separated on hot days. Clean the joint seals first!

Monitor for pests: Look for signs of nesting animals or insects, and look out for Wasp nests!

Winter:

Prevent ice dams: Keep gutters and downspouts clear to prevent ice buildup.

Downpipe filters: If water is not flowing freely, check downpipe filters and clear any blockages.

Safety Measures

Stay Safe & Use Proper

Equipment: Gutter maintenance is dangerous! Follow the HSE ladder safety guidance and wear gloves when cleaning gutters.

Builder's Advice



Follow Recommended Cleaning Schedule: Organise timely gutter maintenance as suggested by the builder after moving into the new home.



This comprehensive checklist offers a detailed overview of tasks and schedules for maintaining gutters in a new build home. It covers regular inspections, seasonal maintenance, professional assistance, immediate action items, safety precautions, and advice related to the builder's recommendations.