

CLOSE UP TIPS FOR MOBILES, PARK MODELS, RVs AND SHEDS

1. Cover all furniture and beds with lightweight plastic sheeting.
2. Cover toilet bowl and tank with plastic wrap after filling with water, then close lid. Turn water off on stool. (DO NOT put cooking oil in your toilet – it makes a mess!)
3. Fill a large container with water (at least five gallons, if possible) and leave in bathtub and other rooms to provide moisture during the hot summer.
4. Put zip lock bags one-half full of water and place over each drain (sinks, tubs, showers and washer drains, etc.) – keeps the sewer gases and critters out.
5. Take batteries out of clocks, smoke alarms and carbon monoxide detectors.
6. Put mothballs and possibly Decon under your house.
7. Remove hot air furnace registers, wrap with foil and replace.
8. Crinkle newspapers and put in refrigerator and freezer along with charcoal; close doors.
9. Turn water off going into mobiles, park models, permanent RVs and sheds. Turn off hot water heater at breaker box if you leave the power on. Water heater may be drained.
10. Make arrangements to have your property and yard cared for (weed control, plant watering, cutting of lawn, etc.) Complete form to advise association office as to who is responsible for your property during the summer. Consider insect/termite control around the perimeter of your buildings.
11. Lock outside electric boxes; put spare key in a place where it can be located upon your return or in case of emergency.
12. Ensure that your telephone and electricity providers have summer addresses for billing purposes.
13. Consider having telephone service put “on vacation” to ensure getting the same telephone number for next season. For vacation you must first contact your long distance provider, then SBC. This will also

expedite telephone service upon your return. A call to SBC's 800 in advance allow telephone service to be in place prior to or at the time of your arrival back in the Valley.

14. Secure your property; i.e., security doors and windows and motion detector lights.
15. Turn off all propane; storing propane gas grills in your shed with the bottle partially or completely full may be risky. Consider other options.
16. Forward mail if appropriate. Place a note in or on your mailbox, then tape your box closed to prevent a temporary carrier from leaving mail. Cancel your newspaper.

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