



THE HUNT TEAM



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## COTTAGE OPENING CHECKLIST

- Do a walk-around visual inspection of your cottage – inside and out
- Visually inspect the power lines leading to your cottage & report any damage to your local utility - have it repaired before activating your service
- Take down any shutters and boards that may be on windows & doors
- Install any screens that were removed – patch any holes you find...  
**BEFORE THE BUGS FIND THEM!!**
- Check your roof for any missing/loose shingles or any spots that are sagging
- Clean out your eavestroughs of winter debris and check for damage
- Check your wiring for damage from rodents – replace if needed
- If your cottage uses propane – check the tank, main supply line and secondary supply lines
- Reconnect your water pipes, prime your pump and start it
- Re-fill your hot water tank – BEFORE you turn on the element!!
- If you used anti-freeze in your water lines, run water and flush toilets before use to flush it all out – if you have an automatic ice-maker in your freezer, throw out the first few batches of ice
- Check your foundation for any shifting
- Check your appliances for animal/rodent damage and nests before turning them on
- Check any rodent traps you may have placed and put them away if you have kids or pets
- Test your smoke detectors, carbon monoxide detectors – if battery operated –  
**CHANGE THE BATTERIES!!**
- Check the expiry date on your fire extinguisher – replace it if needed. Get one if you don't have one
- If you use a woodstove or fireplace, make sure you have dry wood for burning on those cool spring nights that are still to come
- Clean out your woodstove and have your chimney cleaned
- Clean the whole place
- Check for any rodent entrances and close them up - steel wool works well
- Check for poorly sealed caulking and weatherstripping – replace if needed
- Check your deck, railings and stairs – repair/replace if needed
- Get the dock back into the water – check floats, rings, dock cleats, loose boards, raised nails and tighten or repair as needed
- Check your trees for winter damage – trim back trees over buildings, take down any hazardous trees
- Fix any potholes in your laneway
- Get the boat out and do a spring tune-up and cleaning
- Clean the bar-b-que and clean out the firepit

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