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Scheduling maintenance appointments is essential if you want to get the most out of your air conditioning system. However, with HVAC maintenance prices set above \$100, this might not be in your budget. While not all issues will be solved by preventative DIY maintenance, there are several things you can do between appointments to improve your HVAC system's performance. At Florida Cooling Solutions Inc, we encourage our clients to establish sustainable heating and cooling habits for optimal HVAC unit performance all year round. Here are some of the maintenance practices you can accomplish before the next appointment:



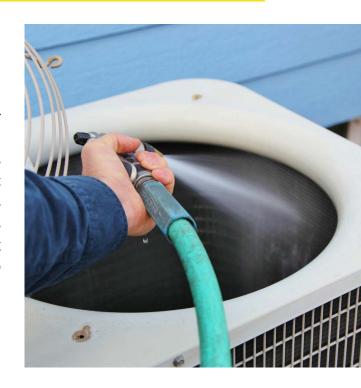
Replace Air Filters



Air filter inspection and replacement are some of the easiest tasks to accomplish without professional help. It is still part of routine maintenance and recommendable to leave it to experts if you have a complicated HVAC system. However, most units come with a simple user manual for air filter replacement. The air filter traps dust, dirt and other contaminants from your air, improving the air quality and preventing potential damages that could occur if these particulates reach delicate components of the unit. However, this buildup of dirt may render the filter ineffective, calling for timely replacements. If you live in a dusty surrounding, have pets, or more people visiting your home, you should consider replacing your air filters more frequently.

Clean Your System And Surrounding Area

Replacing your air filters can help keep the system in optimal performance. However, if the unit is dirty and surrounded by all kinds of dirt, leaves, debris, pets, and mold, it will have a hard time running at maximum efficiency. It is recommendable to keep your air conditioning and heating systems free of dust, sticks, pollen and other debris. You can wipe the top and sites using a glove or hose if necessary. Remove anything that blocks the airflow to avoid straining your system. It is also vital to clean your registers and remove any debris from your ducts. However, comprehensive duct cleaning is best left to experienced professionals. Your duty is to eliminate general dirt and debris, blocking airflow and affecting the unit's performance.





3 Give Your System A Break



Allowing your system to rest is one of the best ways to extend its longevity. While HVAC units are designed to keep you comfortable across all seasons, using your system all-year-round will result in faster degradation in addition to soaring energy bills. You can avoid this by giving your system a break during periods you do not need them. For instance, you can use ceiling fans and other pedestal and tower fans to ventilate your rooms during cooler days. Drapes, insulated windows and thermostat programming can reduce the number of hours your AC and heating system runs. You can also turn off the humidifier water supply and replace the water panel during summer to give it a rest before turning it back on upon setting the right humidity levels.

Look For The Usual Symptoms Of Inefficiency

Regardless of what you do, HVAC units are made of mechanical and electrical components susceptible breakdowns to and degradation. As the user, it is essential to watch out for any signs of an issue. This can be anything from peculiar noises to dropping hot water temperatures or increased dust levels. Regular inspection will help you identify problems early and find practical solutions. It is recommendable to establish a regular HVAC self-inspection weekly schedule to look for any defects in the system. Some issues don't can be accomplished without help, but others will require HVAC maintenance experts. Inspecting your system will generally help you determine changes that need professional help and those you can fix quickly.







Establish Better Cooling And Heating Habits

Your cooling and heating practices have a significant influence on HVAC unit functionality and performance. If you push the system far beyond their normal operating ranges, it can suffer adverse effects, including breakdowns and sub-par performance. Your unit will also wear much faster. As such, it is advisable to follow sustainable practices, like keeping the AC working near room temperature, rather than pushing it to the extreme ends.

At Florida Cooling Solutions, we understand the challenges of finding reliable HVAC technicians to meet all your needs. Whether you seek prompt AC repair or need to upgrade your unit for new features and functionality, our team can help you find the ideal solutions for your requirements. HVAC maintenance requites scheduled visits that inspect the system for all known defects and issues. Other processes, such as duct cleaning and filter replacements, also ensure optimum performance. If you think your system isn't running as it should, you should call for professional help. In addition to protecting your warranty and insurance, professionals will help you get the best solution for the issue. Contact Florida Cooling Solutions today to find out more about HVAC maintenance.