

## **Fall Furnace Checkup - What Is The Contractor Doing?**

It's time to have your heating contractor do a fall inspection of your heating unit. Some of the things the contractor will inspect during the visit are:

Checks controls - pilot/ignition system, high limit and pressure switches.

Inspects and cleans gas burners, remove loose rust, scale, dirt and lint; checks for proper gas input, air adjustment and proper combustion. Inspects electric heating elements for proper operation.

Checks for corrosion and visible deterioration of the heat exchanger; checks for proper flue draft and for carbon monoxide level.

Checks area around the heating equipment for sufficient combustion and ventilation air to ensure clean, efficient and safe operation.

Checks thermostat.

Checks fan or pump controls for proper setting and operation.

Lubricates bearings, if appropriate.

If equipment has a drive belt, checks condition and tension.

Checks for accumulated dirt from fan (if removal of the housing is necessary, there may be an additional charge).

Lubricates blower motor bearings, if appropriate.

Cleans accumulated dirt from ventilation openings of motor.

Inspects filters.