Checklist: Water Damage Prevention

Task	Frequency	Notes
Inspect under sinks and around toilets	Monthly	Look for drips, corrosion, or moisture
Check appliance hoses (washer, fridge, dishwasher)	Quarterly	Replace if cracked or over 5 years old
Test sump pump	Biannually	Especially before rainy seasons
Winterize outdoor faucets and pipes	Fall	Disconnect hoses and insulate exposed pipes
Schedule HVAC maintenance	Annually	Ask about condensate line cleaning
Install or test leak detectors	Annually	Place near water heater, washer, and under sinks
Use smart home monitoring	Ongoing	Leak sensors, cameras, and alerts
Set thermostat to 55°F+ when away	As needed	Prevent frozen pipes in winter