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# Prepare Your Home Air Conditioning For Summer Heat

*Proper maintenance keeps you cool without wasting money*

**OLDSMAR, Fla., March 24, 2004** — Summer time blues ... dog days of summer ... summer in the city ... if this gets you thinking about the approaching hot weather, then S&S Electric suggests that now is the time to check your home air conditioning system in order to keep you cool when the heat arrives.

“Homeowners should have their air conditioning system maintenance performed before the summer months begin,” said Shawn Smith, Vice President, S&S Electric Co., Inc. “You don’t want to be uncomfortable at the hottest time of the summer season because your system has broken down. Plus, a well maintained system is more efficient and can save you money on your energy bill.”

S&S Electric, which has been installing air conditioning systems in the Tampa Bay area since 1994, offers some tips to help keep you cool when weather gets hot:

- Clean your air conditioner’s filters. Dirty filters block airflow and can reduce the air conditioner’s efficiency. Clean or replace your air filter on a monthly basis.
- Check your ducts. Unsealed ducts can leak cooled air into unused spaces, such as an attic or garage, putting more work on your air conditioning system and costing more money on your cooling bill.
- Don’t block your air conditioning unit with landscaping. Those shrubs may look pretty, but they will block the airflow to your system. It also leaves little room for service and maintenance to be performed to the unit.
- Inspect indoor and outdoor unit parts for any signs of wear or damage, such as cracks or corrosion.
- Schedule regular maintenance with a professional. While it is possible for you as the homeowner to take care of minor maintenance tasks, there is work that must be left to a professional.

“Regular maintenance will keep your air conditioning system operating smoothly and efficiently, and can even extend its operating life,” said Smith. “When looking for a service professional, research the business thoroughly before making any decisions. You want to be sure you are hiring a qualified and knowledgeable professional to work on your home. Check the Air Conditioning Contractors of America (ACCA) web site, [www.acca.org](http://www.acca.org), for a listing of professionals near you.”

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