



Hints For Homeowners

10 Tips To Protect Your HVAC System During A Renovation

(NAPSA)—Home renovations can be exciting and while they can also be messy for your home heating and cooling system, there are steps you can take to minimize the dirt.

Before Construction Begins:

1. Meet with an HVAC contractor to learn the best way to protect your system.

2. Close and cover vents and registers, especially in rooms that will be most impacted by the renovation, to help keep dust and debris out of your ductwork.

3. Contain the dust by hanging plastic tarps or sheets to isolate the work area and keep dust away from the rest of the house.

After Construction Begins:

4. Turn your HVAC system off to eliminate circulating air, which tends to pick up dirt and debris and transfer it to your ductwork. If you need to run the system, consult your HVAC contractor to determine which vents should remain open.

5. Keep the messy work outside by asking your construction contractor to sand and cut building materials in your garage or yard. This will minimize the amount of dirt in the renovated space.

6. Regularly clean the renovated space to help prevent construction dirt from being walked through the rest of your house.

7. Clean or change air filters to keep particles from entering your ductwork. Dirt is a by-product of any renovation project, regardless of your efforts. That's why it's important to regularly change or



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clean the air filters in your HVAC system during construction and again when the renovation is complete.

8. Inspect your HVAC system at the end of construction to be sure it's clean. Your HVAC contractor can do this for you.

9. Clean your ductwork to eliminate the possibility of construction dust and debris circulating through your HVAC system.

10. Check sizes to be sure your current HVAC system is sized properly to accommodate your renovated space, especially if rooms have been added or walls removed. A system that is too small operates inefficiently and may not meet your comfort needs.

Your local Coleman contractor can answer questions about your HVAC system as you prepare for a renovation project. To locate a contractor or to learn more about home comfort systems, visit www.colemanac.com and www.youtube.com/ColemanHomeComfort, follow @ColemanHVAC on Twitter or call 877-874-7378.