

PRINTABLE + FILLABLE PLANNER

Log Home Maintenance & Staining Planner

A free 3-page sample: monthly checks and one wall-by-wall inspection sheet

US Letter · Free sample

Home

Address

Year built

Monthly Log Home Checks

Monthly check	J	F	M	A	M	J	J	A	S	O	N	D
Walk the house: look for new stains, drips, or dark spots on logs												
Check gutters and downspouts are flowing and discharging away from the house												
Look for carpenter bee holes, sawdust, ant trails, or wood dust (frass)												
Check sprinklers and hoses are not wetting the logs												
Keep firewood, mulch, and plants off the walls												
Inside: check humidity and look for drafts or light at log joints												
Note anything unusual on the inspection sheet												

Care note: Most log home damage starts with water. A quick monthly look catches drips, splash-back, and insect activity early.

Walk-Around Inspection: One Wall

Date

Inspected by

Weather

Elevation / wall

Area	OK	Watch	Fix	Location & notes
Log surface / finish	☐	☐	☐	
Checks & cracks	☐	☐	☐	
Rot / soft wood (probe)	☐	☐	☐	
Insects / carpenter bees	☐	☐	☐	
Moisture / stains / mildew	☐	☐	☐	
Chinking & caulk	☐	☐	☐	
Bottom courses / splash zone	☐	☐	☐	
Log ends & corners	☐	☐	☐	
Windows & trim	☐	☐	☐	
Doors & thresholds	☐	☐	☐	
Gutters & downspouts	☐	☐	☐	
Grading & drainage	☐	☐	☐	

Care note: Bead test: splash water on the logs. If it beads, the finish is still working; if it darkens and soaks in, plan a maintenance coat. Probe suspicious wood with an awl: firm wood resists, soft or punky wood needs a closer look.