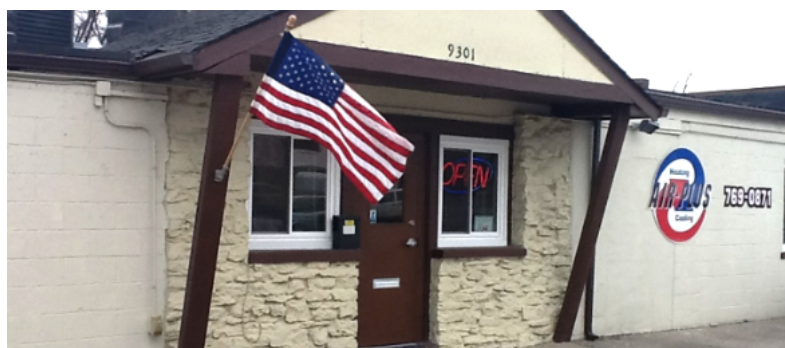




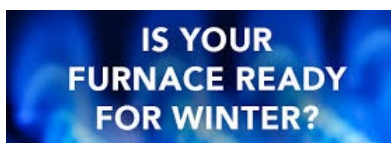
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### **When to Repair Heating System**

Here are just a few of the top signs that it's time to call an experienced HVAC technician for furnace repair:

#### **1. Your heater isn't putting out warm air.**

Temperatures have started to drop, sending you running to the thermostat to turn up the heat. Only you adjust the temperature settings and nothing happens!

If you find that your heater isn't putting out warm air, this could be a sign that something is seriously wrong. Before calling for service check to make sure that the circuit breakers and power switch are on. If you see that power is getting to the system, but it's not turning on or it turns on but only blows cool air, then it's time to call in the professionals. The problem could be a faulty thermostat, but it could also be a much more complex problem. The only way to know is to have an experienced HVAC technician diagnose your system.

#### **2. Your utility bills are higher than ever!**

When your heating system is running as normal, your utility costs should be about the same from year to year, depending on your amount of use. However, if you see a sudden spike in your utility costs as compared to last year without increased use, then there may be an issue with your heating system.

Higher utility bills could be a sign that your heating system is straining to keep your home at a comfortable temperature. Not only does this increase your energy usage (and bills), but it can also start to cause unnecessary wear and tear to your system's parts, which can result in a serious breakdown later on. When you start to see signs of rising utility costs, it's time to call a qualified HVAC technician to inspect your heater.

#### **3. Your heater is making weird noises.**

There are some normal sounds that occur when your heating system is in operation. You should be able to hear the system kick on and off throughout the day. However, if you start to hear weird noises that you've never heard before, then this could be a sign that your system needs repair.

If you hear screeching, grinding, or other unusual noises when you turn on your heating system, turn it off immediately. Strange noises could indicate a number of different repair issues like a worn out blower or broken internal components. The only way to know for sure what's happening with your heater is to call an HVAC technician to diagnose and repair your system.

#### **4. There are unusual smells coming from your heating system.**

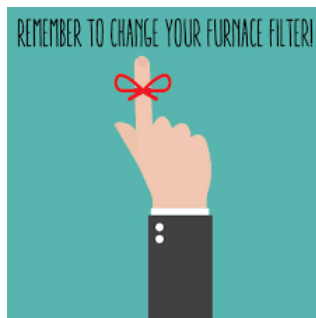
Just like unusual sounds, strange odors coming from your heating system is another sign that your equipment needs repair. If operating normally, your heating system should not give off any strong odors or lingering scents. Sharp or pungent odors can be a sign of a problem with your heater's electrical components. Musty odors can indicate mold or moisture pooling in your equipment where it shouldn't be. A burning smell can also indicate issues with your system's internal components. If you start to smell strange odors when you turn your system on, you should immediately shut the equipment off and call us.

#### **5. The thermostat display is blank.**

Check to make sure there are fresh batteries in the thermostat.

**When in doubt, call for service!**

Our technicians are trained to diagnose and repair your system to keep it running safely and at top efficiency. We are available Monday through Friday, 8:00am – 5:00pm and have after hours emergency service, just call (513)769-0871 (if it's after hours please call the same number and follow the prompts to be connected with our live operators) and we will to dispatch a service technician out as soon as possible,



## Signs It's Time to Replace Your Furnace

### Your Furnace Is Old

If your furnace is older than 15 years and is having maintenance issues, then it probably needs to be replaced. Even if it is still working, it is not operating efficiently, which creates higher utility bills as well as the risk for sudden breakdown.

### Your House is Heating Unevenly

An inefficient furnace can often result in some rooms being warmer (or colder) than others. Most likely, this is due to an old furnace not being able to properly distribute heat evenly throughout your home.

### Your Furnace is Noisy

Furnaces often make some noise when they turn on and off, but it becomes worrisome when those noises become increasingly louder. Rattling could be caused by unsecured ductwork, loose screws, or that the lower motor is improperly balanced. Popping can occur when parts within your furnace heat and cool in response to sudden temperature changes within your system. Humming could be due to a faulty fan motor. Squealing noises are often an indicator that there is an issue with your blower motor or inducer motor.

### Rust or Cracks on The Unit

If you notice rust or cracks developing on your furnace, it's a good indicator that it is time to replace it. These changes naturally occur over time as your furnace ages but shouldn't be ignored, as doing so creates bigger problems over time.

### Frequent Repairs

If you had to call in an HVAC contractor multiple times to repair your heating system within the last two years, then it may be time to upgrade your furnace. Another indicator of needing a replacement is that the repair cost of your old system is more than 50% of the cost of a new unit.



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