

Tools Maintenance Checklist

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- Tools Maintenance
 - When finished working in a garden store your garden tools in a shed, garage or a utility room.
 - Clean your tools with an old towel.
 - Scrape and wipe off extra stubborn dirt and rust.
 - Take the time to rinse your tools off.
 - Allow the tools to dry before putting them away.
 - Always make sure your tools are clean before you sharpen them.
 - Sharpen the blades on shovels, spades, and hoes from time to time.
 - Grease periodically any tools that have moveable parts.
 - If the hinges on your tools are squeaking then bolts should be tightened and a lubricant applied.
 - Periodically, check the electrical cord, switches and connectors of the power tools for damage.
 - Have a specific safe and dry place to store your tools.
 - Keep your tools safe from harm, theft, rusting.
 - Keep your tools organized so you can easily access each one when you need it.