

## **Away periods**

While Away from the property during the winter, lower the thermostat to between 50°F (10 Celsius) and 60°F (16 Celsius) If you turn it lower than 50°F you run the risk of frozen pipes in cold weather

The heat does not have to be kept as high as you normally would keep it if you were in the property, but keeping it set above 50 degrees Fahrenheit is a good idea. This should provide enough heat to keep the pipes warm and to prevent any water inside from freezing

Turn off stop valves internally for any external taps and drain any water

Ensure all doors and windows are secure

Have some form of lighting within the property

Have timers for the lights to come on and off at desired times

Inform the agents and landlords