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Garage Doors and other Overhead Doors

These instructions are to be used as a guide to help you maintain your home or office in a safe and efficient manner. They do not replace the requirements of the manufacturer. You should ALWAYS review your owner's manual for additional preventive maintenance requirements.

This inspection is designed to increase the safety and security of your overhead door. You should review your owner's manual for additional preventive maintenance and inspection instructions.

1. While the door is in the down position, visually inspect the rollers and the hardware holding the rollers onto the door. The rollers usually fit freely in guides and can move in and out. However, the guides are secured to the door.
2. Inspect the track the door travels on. Inspect the bolts and brackets that secure the track to the wall and the ceiling. Most often, the ceiling bracket bolts become loose. Check these closely because a door in the up position depends on these brackets to support the entire weight of the door. Tighten the bolts if necessary.
3. Inspect the door hinges and screws/bolts for proper alignment and tightness.
4. Inspect the spring support for the door and the hardware holding it on. Each door is different but a good visual inspection can detect signs of frayed cables, loose hardware, chipped pulleys, poor alignment, etc.
5. Open the door and watch how it moves up the tracks. The motion should be smooth and void of jerks or delays. If jerks or delays exist, consider contacting a professional before you sustain possible damage to your door.
6. Close the door and again, watch for the motion of the door as it moves down the rails.
7. Lock the door to ensure the lock functions properly.

Note: Garage doors generally take very little maintenance. However, when things start to go bad, they go gradually and are seldom noticeable during standard operations. A dedicated inspection can help you detect potential problems long before they become costly repairs.

The Maintenance Guru says take your time and do a thorough inspection. Ask if you have questions!