

# Weekly Fall Garden Checklist

## Week 1: Foundation Week

- Deep watering and moisture check
- Inspect soil texture and drainage
- Remove summer debris and prep beds
- Apply compost or soil conditioner
- Plan succession planting for quick crops

## Week 2: Observation + Early Action

- Check moisture levels before watering
- Look for early signs of aphids, cabbage worms
- Light feeding with compost tea or fish emulsion
- Reseed thin spots or fill gaps
- Observe plant growth habits

## Week 3: Growth & Consistency

- Maintain consistent watering (23x/week)
- Monitor pest populations and apply organic controls
- Thin overcrowded seedlings
- Add mulch around maturing plants
- Reseed short-season crops (radish, arugula)

## Week 4: Mid-Season Adjustments

- Pull bolting crops or ones past prime
- Refresh beds with compost
- Replant with fall-friendly varieties
- Start transitioning to cool-season row covers
- Clean up fallen leaves and debris

## Week 5: Prepare for Weather Swings

- Check extended forecast for frost threats
- Install frost cloths or low tunnels if needed
- Harvest crops that may not tolerate cold
- Adjust watering schedule for cooler temps
- Add mulch to protect root zones

## Week 6: Final Push & Transition Planning

- Final harvest of mature greens and roots
- Clean up and compost plant residues
- Mulch heavily or plant cover crops
- Cover empty beds to reduce erosion
- Note successes and plan winter strategies