



# July Organizing Checklist

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- Special Events/Holidays.** Following are just a few events/holidays to keep on top of for this month: Independence Day (4<sup>th</sup>); Pioneer Day (24<sup>th</sup>, celebrated in Utah); Parents Day (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday); Family Reunion Month
- Print & Post Monthly Checklist.** Print and post this month's checklist in a location where you will see it often. Enjoy the satisfaction of checking off tasks as they are completed. Monthly checklists can be downloaded from [www.simplyinorder.com](http://www.simplyinorder.com)
- Protection from the Sun and Bugs.** Now is a great time to replace outdated sunscreen and bug spray to help prevent you and your family against damaging sun and pesky insects. Sunscreen has a limited shelf life so be sure to check the expiration dates.
- Protection from Summer Colds.** Wash down all doorknobs, TV remotes, computer keys/mouse, and telephones to help protect against the spreading of summer colds.
- Buy Fresh Produce.** Plan summer meals by visiting your local farmers market to buy the freshest produce.
- Look Ahead.** Check your August calendar for events you need to be planning for now.
- Stock Up on School Supplies.** This month school supplies begin going on sale. Even if you don't start until August, this month is a great time to stock up and take advantage of great sales.
- Save on Cooling Costs.** With the hot summer heat upon us, save up to 45% on cooling costs by investing in quality shades to block out heat from southern and western windows.
- Lawn Care.** Raise your lawnmower blades to the tallest level and leave there through Labor Day. The longer grass will shade your soil and slow down water loss, keeping your lawn green throughout the hot summer months.
- Protect Concrete Floors.** Winter salt and chemicals used during the winter can be hard on concrete. Clean and reseal your concrete garage floor by applying a protective coat of epoxy.
- Schedule Doctor Check-ups.** Schedule sport physicals for elementary, junior and senior high students early to ensure you get this completed. The closer you get to sports starting, the busier the doctors are and the harder it is to get in. Make sure immunizations are up to date too.
- Christmas in July.** Start planning for Christmas. Planning and buying now will help keep the stress down during the busy holiday season.
- Room of the Month.** Choose a ROTM (Room of the Month) to focus on decluttering and organizing.