

### Smart Buys: What to Buy Out of Season

Use this checklist to plan purchases when prices are lowest. Buying out of season can help you save big without sacrificing quality.

#### Clothing & Shoes

- ☐ Winter coats – Buy in late winter or early spring
- ☐ Swimsuits – Shop at the end of summer
- ☐ Boots – Look in spring
- ☐ Sandals – Get them in fall
- ☐ Holiday apparel – After the holiday

#### Outdoor & Seasonal Items

- ☐ Patio furniture – Buy in late summer or fall
- ☐ Grills & outdoor cooking gear – After Labor Day
- ☐ Gardening tools & supplies – End of the growing season
- ☐ Pool supplies – Buy in early fall
- ☐ Snow blowers – End of winter

#### Holiday Decor & Gifts

- ☐ Christmas lights and ornaments – December 26 onward
- ☐ Halloween costumes – November 1
- ☐ Gift wrap and cards – After the holiday

#### Vehicles & Equipment

- ☐ Bicycles – Fall or winter
- ☐ Cars – End of the model year (usually late summer/fall)
- ☐ Lawn mowers – Late summer or fall
- ☐ Snow gear (skis, snowboards, chains) – End of winter

#### Home Goods

- ☐ Air conditioners & fans – End of summer
- ☐ Heaters – Spring
- ☐ Mattresses – Holiday weekends, especially around President's Day and Memorial Day

#### Baby & Kids Gear

- ☐ School supplies and backpacks – After school begins
- ☐ Kids' coats, shoes, and sports gear – End of the season clearance