PREPARING YOUR HOME CHECKLIST



EXTERIOR

Vehicles

Remove vehicles from driveway and do not park vehicles in front of the home

Landscaping

Freshly cut and edged, fresh mulch, pickup leaves/sticks/branches, trees are trimmed, and remove/put away water hoses

Trash & Recycle

Make sure trash and recycle cans are out of sight

Patios and outdoor areas

Power wash stains, and sweep walkways/patios/porches/decks, clean and arrange outdoor furniture

Pool

Clean pool, remove pool hose/equipment and security fences, and turn on water features

INTERIOR

Lighting

Turn on all lights and lamps, replace burnt out bulbs

Ceiling Fans OFF

Flooring

Remove floor mats and small rugs (large area rugs are fine), vacuum carpet, sweep and mop floors

Waste Baskets

Empty all waste baskets or remove so they are out of sight

Windows

Clean windows and open blinds/window coverings

GENERAL

Personal Items

Remove personal items/photos, remove all visible clutter, tidy up or put away/hide children's toys

Pets

Bowls, beds, kennels, and toys should be out of sight. Pets should be removed or out of photography areas

Seasonal Decor

Remove and put away all seasonal decor so photos do not appear dated

KITCHEN

Declutter

Remove all items from refrigerator (top and face-magnets, etc.), remove unnecessary items from countertops and ledges, stow small appliances

Dishes & Cleaning Items

Put away all dishes, hide soaps/cleaning items, hide dish towels/sponges, clear sink of dishes, put away drying racks

Food

Store food and food boxes in cabinets/pantry, organize items on open shelves, place bowl of fruit or flowers on the counter

General

Clean and put away high chairs, clean or hide trash cans, turn on under/upper cabinet lighting

BATHROOMS

Countertops

Remove all unnecessary items from countertops, toiletries and personal items should be out of sight - toothbrush's, blow dryers, makeup, etc.

Clean Mirrors

Tub/Shower

Remove all items from tub and shower, clean shower glass, put away or remove childrens bath toys

Toilets

Clean toilets and close toilet lids, remove training toilets for children

Towels & Bath Rugs

Hang fresh towels, remove bath rugs

BEDROOMS

Make Beds

Arrange decorative pillows and throw blankets

Clean Under Beds

Remove unsightly items from underneath the bed

Personal Items

Clear surfaces of clutter, remove or put away personal items and photos

Shoes & Clothes

Put away clothing and shoes, remove or hide laundry baskets

Closets

Closets are not usually photographed except for the primary closet or if otherwise noted, organize closets and hide personal items if you would like them photographed