### Spring Cleaning: Getting your home ready for the Spring Market

## Spring Cleaning Checklist

#### LIVING ROOM

- Dust & Spot Clean Walls, Ceiling & Vents
- Clean Window, Window Sills & Treatments
- Clean Light Fixtures, Ceiling Fans, & Switch Plates
- Wash Rugs
- Shampoo Carpets
- Mop Solid Surface Floors
- Clean Baseboards
- Wash or Spot Clean Sofa Covers
- Vacuum Inside Sofa
- Clean Under All Furniture
- Dust All Surfaces

#### KITCHEN & DINING

- Dust & Spot Clean Walls, Ceiling, & Vents
- Clean Windows, Sills, & Window Treatments
- Clean Light Fixtures, Ceiling Fans, & Switch plates
- Deep Clean Refrigerator
- Deep Clean Microwave
- Deep Clean Oven & Stovetop
- Sanitize Dishwasher
- Wipe Down Cabinet Fronts
- Clean Backsplash
- Wash Rugs
- Clean Baseboards
- Mop Solid Surface Floors
- Deep Clean Trashcan
- Scrub Countertops, Sink & Faucet
- Clean & Organize Cabinets, Drawers & Pantry

#### OTHER

- Change Air Filters
- Replace Batteries in Smoke Alarms
- Replace Batteries in Carbon Monoxide Detectors

#### BATHROOMS

- Dust & Spot Clean Walls, Ceiling, & Vents
- Clean Light Fixtures, Fan, & Switchplates
- Clean Windows, Sills & Window Treatments
- Deep Clean Shower and/or Tub
- Sanitize Shower head and bathtub faucet
- Wash/Replace Shower Curtain & Liner
- Wash Rugs
- Deep Clean Toilet
- Wipe Down Cabinets
- Clean Mirrors
- Clean Countertops & Faucet
- Wipe Down Baseboards
- Deep Clean Floors

#### BEDROOMS

- Dust & Spot Clean Walls, Ceiling, & Vents
- Clean Light Fixtures, Ceiling Fans, & Switch Plates
- Clean Windows, Sills, and Window Treatments
- Wash Rugs
- Vacuum or Mop Under All Furniture
- Flip Mattress
- Wash All Bedding
- Clean Baseboards
- Dust All Furniture
- Clean & Organize Closets

#### LAUNDRY

- Dust & Spot Clean Walls, Ceiling, & Vents
- Clean Light Fixtures & Switch Plates
- Clean Windows, Sill & Window Treatments
- Sanitize Washing Machine
- Vacuum Dryer Lint Trap
- Clean/Organize Cabinets, Drawers, and Shelves
- Wash Rugs
- Wipe Down Baseboards

Whether you are getting ready to sell your home, or getting ready to enjoy the warmer weather, it is a great time to freshen up. Spring is a time of renewal. Since every home is different, as is every family, use this guide as a starting point. So, get your rubber gloves on, gather your cleaning tools and remember: Take your time, this is a big project, tackle one area at a time. Always start at the top and work down. While you are going through your home, declutter. We all have stuff that we never use, so *dump it!* Whether it's your closet, your fridge, or your pantry, ask yourself if you still need it, or still want it, if the answer is no, give it away or *dump it!* 

Feel free to contact us for a free consultation if you are thinking of selling...besides helping you price your home correctly, we can help with staging, decluttering, and offer great tips on getting the highest and best price, *it is a Seller's-Market!* 

**Spring yard cleaning** consists of removing trash, leaves, sticks, fertilizing and preparing lawns, flower and shrub beds, controlling pests and weeds, shrub pruning, and perennial division and mulching.

After the dormant and extremely cold conditions of the winter months, your plants and lawn also need some extra care and attention. Just like spring cleaning your home involves airing it out to bring the fresh air in after months of staying locked up, spring yard cleanup follows the same philosophy of getting rid of the old and the damaged to replace it with the new.

It is a great time to wash exterior windows, power-wash your siding, walks, deck and driveway. Touch up paint and stain (front door and deck, garage door), check your



gutters! If you are getting ready to sell your home, curb appeal is important! Remember curb appeal starts the minute a potential buyer pulls up to your home. A buyer wants to see that your home is loved



and well cared for.

While you are doing this, check your trees. Some might need some pruning, or a limb might be growing too close to your home. When all cleaned up, add some fresh mulch to all of your flower beds. Mulch keeps weeds down, the soil moist, and always makes the yard look fresh and attractive.

Many towns have only a few homes for sale.

This is a Seller's Market, High Demand, and very low Inventory. Our advice is simple, if you're planning a move, do it before everyone else, when there is less competition. Give us a call or text, we would love to work with you.

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