



Maureen's

Home Maintenance & Listing Prep Checklist

Repair & Refresh

- ☐ Inventory all repairs and get quotes for items (Pull permits with Town for certain repairs - see regulations)
- ☐ Doors & Windows: Open & shut easily - Secure & Clean
- ☐ Reglaze bathtub(s) and caulk showers as needed
- ☐ Repaint walls for an instant refresh (neutral colors best) & repair ceiling cracks, fill in holes in walls pictures.
- ☐ New lightbulbs as needed inside and outside
- ☐ New electrical covers if old looking or paint covered
- ☐ Repair or replace cracked or chipped tiles, clean grout
- ☐ Replace or repair leaky showerheads and sink faucets
- ☐ Electrical outlets all working? (If replacing use electrician)

Exterior Appeal

- ☐ Mow and edge lawn and plant flowers in beds
- ☐ Place bright potted flowers near entry
- ☐ Mulch flower beds and ensure they're weed free
- ☐ Power wash driveway and sidewalk pathway
- ☐ Patio cleaning and refresh (stain deck/fencing)
- ☐ Decorative patio touches: outdoor pillows and staged backyard entertainment area
- ☐ Keep pet droppings picked up and yard clean
- ☐ Roof - Stain free with no missing shingles
- ☐ Re-stain/repaint wooden front door as needed (Replace front glass door if needed)

Clean & Declutter

- ☐ Scrub kitchen cabinets to remove grease
- ☐ Clean large appliances thoroughly
- ☐ Professionally clean carpets or replace if needed
- ☐ Clean off shelves. Display just a few purposeful items.
- ☐ Dust blinds, clean windows inside & out, steam curtains
- ☐ Remove clutter: accessories, knick-knacks, pictures, books, magazines, toys, kitchen and bath items
- ☐ Clean smelling: no cigarette, pet or strong candle scents
- ☐ Dust light fixtures, ceiling fans, baseboards & surfaces
- ☐ Mopped and oiled hardwoods - shined for new life
- ☐ New clean bedspreads (and beds made daily)

Decorate & Organize

- ☐ Each room should have a clear use & no clutter
- ☐ Depersonalize the home and make it neutral
- ☐ For colors - use pottery, pillows & fresh flowers
- ☐ Make closets, cabinets and pantry appear BIG!
- ☐ It's OK to have a wall of boxes in garage with out of season clothes, photos & keepsakes.
- ☐ Take down heavy ornate window treatments
- ☐ Use simple, clean blinds to allow lots of light in
- ☐ Have new crisp, clean towels in all bathrooms
- ☐ Use carry-all handle containers for personal grooming items to stash under sinks before showings (bathroom & kitchen counters clear!)