

Top Areas to Clean Before Moving Out!

Tenant Checklist: Move-Out Cleaning Tips

Doors/Walls

- Clean/wash walls, doors, knobs, jambs, high-traffic areas, pet marks, etc. with an appropriate cleaner.

Windows

- Clean/wash the interior and exterior of all reachable windows removing any dirt or streaks.
- Clean/wash window sills and tracks, removing all dust and dirt. Dust window and sliding glass door blinds.
- Clean/wash window screens on windows and screen doors carefully while in place, making sure not to push or place holes in them.
- Consider repairing screens if they have been damaged as a tenant. We recommend working with your property manager to determine if needed.

Carpets

- Carpets are normally recommended to be professionally cleaned. Your property manager may recommend that you **DO NOT RENT A CARPET CLEANER AND DO IT YOURSELF** as it is too easy to damage the carpet pad and flooring underlayment.

Bathrooms

- Clean bathrooms thoroughly, removing all hard water deposits and soap scum on sinks, tubs, showers, etc.
- Clean the interior and exterior of all bathroom shelves, medicine cabinets, and drawers with a mild cleaning compound.



Kitchen

- Clean kitchen appliances, inside and outside, including oven and microwave.
- Clean the stove and range with an adequate cleaning agent, removing all traces of grease, dirt and debris.
- Clean the refrigerator thoroughly.
- Clean/wash the interior and exterior of the kitchen shelves, cabinets and drawers with a mild cleaning compound.
- Remove all hard water deposits on the sink and other kitchen fixtures.

Floors

- Clean/wash the floors with an adequate cleaner, removing all traces of dirt and marks. Follow this with a thorough rinse. Ensure you use an approved hardwood floor cleaner for hardwood and laminate floors.

Communication

- Communicating with your Property Manager in writing and via email can be a preferred way of referring back to any communication agreements.

General Expectations

- Please note that all personal belongings are expected to be removed from the property and carpets need to be cleaned before the final inspection.
- Paint touch-ups should always be color matched.
- Work with your property manager to ensure an understanding of any applicable charges and fees at the time of move-out.

PLEASE BE AWARE THAT YOU MAY BE RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY UNSEEN DAMAGE COVERED BY FURNITURE, PICTURES, BOOKCASES, ETC.

Use our [Inspect-By-Tenant App](#) to ensure that you document the true condition of how you have left your residence. Protect your security deposit and prevent additional fees and charges.