



HOME PREP CHECKLIST

FOR REAL ESTATE PHOTOS



GENERAL

- **ALL lights ON** (including lamps & under cabinet lights)
- **All ceiling fans OFF**
- **Blinds and curtain OPEN** to let in natural light
- **Turn OFF TVs**, computer screens, and monitors
- **Declutter** all visible surfaces (countertops, dressers, tables)
- **Hide cords**, remote controls, charging stations
- **Remove Personal Photos** and minimize decorations
- **Remove pet items** (beds, toys, food bowls, litter boxes)
- **Secure or remove pets** during the shoot
- **Tidy up floors** (no shoes, laundry bags, toys)

KITCHEN

- **Clear countertops completely** (no dish racks, soap, mail, etc.)
- **Clear refrigerator** from magnets, calendars, or notes.
- **Hide items** like trash cans, paper towels, and cleaning supplies

LIVING

- **Fluff pillows and neatly fold throws**
- **Declutter** shelves, coffee tables, and TV stands
- **Hide** all wires and remotes
- **Straighten** rugs and furniture

DINING

- **Clear table** completely or set it minimally (1 center piece max)
- **Straighten** chairs and rugs
- **Hide** booster seats or high chairs

BEDROOM

- **Make all beds neatly**
- **Hide personal items** (lotions, alarm clocks, chargers, etc.)
- **Clear nightstands**
- **Remove** laundry baskets, clothes, and toys

BATHROOM

- **Clear countertops** (no toothbrushes, soap, razors, etc.)
- **Close toilet lids**
- **Hang clean, matching towels neatly** or remove them
- **Remove bath mats** (they can make the floor look small/cluttered)
- **Hide trash cans**, plungers, and cleaning tools

EXTERIOR

- **Move cars from driveway and front of the house**
- **Close garage doors**
- **Hide trash bins**, hoses, toys and tools
- **Mow lawn** and tidy up landscaping
- **Remove pet waste**
- **Straighten outdoor furniture and cushions**

We understand that you're living in your home, and not everything on this checklist may be possible – and that's okay! This guide is simply here to help you prepare your space in a way that allows us to capture it in the best light. Even small efforts make a big difference. Do what you can, and don't stress the rest!