

# Get Your Home SHOW READY

✓	<b>EXTERIOR</b>
	Clean around service areas/trash cans
	Haul away rubbish
	Straighten woodpile
	Repair leaky faucets
	Clean up pet droppings
	Paint or varnish doors
	Polish door hardware
	Make sure doorbell/knocker works
	Paint or replace street numbers on house
	Make sure septic tank is odor free
	Clean oil stains from driveway/street
	Patch/reseal driveway if necessary
	<b>Replace, repair, and/or paint any damages:</b>
	Plaster
	Wood siding
	Trim
	Rain gutters
	Shutters
	Doors
	Window frames
	Glazing
	Screens
	Hardware
	Fences/gates
	Outdoor lighting
	<b>Landscaping</b>
	Mow/edge lawn regularly
	Aerate/feed lawn
	Overseed bare spots in lawn
	Water lawn regularly
	Remove/replace dead plants
	Prune overgrown/diseased/damaged shrubs
	Prune or remove shrubs/trees blocking view from windows (unless view is undesirable)
	Stake up any sagging trees/shrubs
	Keep flower beds free of weeds
	Trim around base of trees/walls/fences
	<b>Repair or remove any broken or damaged landscape accessories such as:</b>
	Fences
	Walls Gazebos
	Fountains
	Trellises
	Planters
	Other

	Replace any broken stepping stones
	Adjust any sprinkler system; repair any broken/leaky heads
	Install fences or shrubs to hide any unsightly views
✓	<b>CLEAN/WASH</b>
	Siding
	Windows
	Screen
	Outdoor BBQ
	A/C Unit
	Pool/Spa
✓	<b>CHECK LIGHT BULBS</b>
	Porch Lights
	Carport
	Garage
✓	<b>CLOSETS</b>
	Keep closets clean and free of clutter
	Throw out or pack away non-essentials
	Adjust/repair sliding doors
	Lubricate sliding door hardware
	Paint, if needed
✓	<b>ALL ROOMS, Clean especially around:</b>
	Doors
	Windows
	Light switches
	Baseboards
	Chair rails
	Wash lace curtains and have draperies cleaned if necessary
	Remove or pull back dark curtains
	Lubricate window slides (soap for wood silicon or a candle stump for metal)
	Make sure doors open smoothly
	Clean ceiling light fixtures
	Check for cobwebs in all corners
	Fix any scratches in wooden floors
	Replace worn/broken flooring
	Remove or replace worn carpet
	Use area rugs where needed
	Empty wastebaskets
✓	<b>KITCHEN</b>
	Keep dishes and food out of sight
	Clean appliances
	Clean range hood, including light bulbs
	Clean behind appliances
	Keep floor clean
	Clean light fixture

	Make sure all electrical outlets work
	Eliminate cooking odors
	Deodorize garbage disposal, dishwasher, and refrigerator
	Repair faucets
	Put fresh shelf paper in cabinets
	Organize cupboards
	Clean out under sink
	Replace garbage disposal gasket to reduce noise
✓	<b>BATHROOMS, Keep them spotlessly clean:</b>
	Shine mirrors
	Keep wastebaskets empty and clean
	Clean out cabinets and remove non-essentials
	Keep fresh, clean towels on towel racks
	Clean shower door – if sliding door, keep track lubricated
	Remove soap residue, mildew and mold from sink/tub/shower
	Remove stains from porcelain sink tub toilet
	Replace torn/moldy shower curtain
	Clean tile grout
	Make sure toilet flushes properly – replace mechanism if necessary
	Clean exhaust fan/heater – replace if broken or noisy
✓	<b>GARAGE/CARPORT/SHED</b>
	Install 100-watt light bulb
	Keep area clean/uncluttered
	Hang up/put away tools
	Clear away any cobwebs
	Remove oil/paint stains from floor
	Adjust tension rod to eliminate sag from overhead garage door
	Lubricate/adjust/repair garage door opener
	Paint if needed
✓	<b>LAUNDRY AREA</b>
	Clean out area behind washer/dryer
	Eliminate any mildew odors
✓	<b>BASEMENT</b>
	Eliminate any signs of dampness
	Check for and eliminate cracks
✓	<b>HEATING/AIR CONDITIONING UNIT</b>
	Vacuum
	Replace filter
	Clean intake vent
	Remove any stored items

- ✓ Make sure the temperature in your home is comfortable – keep it cooler in the summer and warmer in the winter. If it's cooler outside and you have a fireplace, a nice fire can make your home seem cozy and inviting.
- ✓ Provide a written list of the features of your home.
- ✓ Know the distance to schools and shopping centers.

