

# MOVE OUT CLEANING CHECKLIST

(For reference purposes only)

- You are required to return the home empty and in a clean condition. *Cleaning issues will NOT be considered to be normal and wear, under any circumstances whatsoever.*
- If the home is not satisfactorily cleaned, has trash or abandoned items, appropriate charges will be deducted from your Security Deposit. If it is necessary to hire someone to clean the home, labor will cost much more than if you had taken the time to properly clean the unit in the first place.
- As required by your rental agreement, you will be responsible for the cost of *mandatory carpet cleaning*, which will be performed after you move out by a carpet cleaner of Landlord's choosing. You may choose to have it done yourself, however, you will need to provide a receipt showing the carpet was **professionally** cleaned. Renting a cleaner or using your personal carpet cleaner is not sufficient.

## General:

Walls should be washed or marks removed, including streaks above heaters.

Holes in walls should be filled with spackle and the wall wiped clean of excess spackle.

If there are any large holes, such as from wall anchors, the holes will need to be patched and the entire wall painted.

Remove all cobwebs from walls and ceilings.

Wall and ceiling vents should be vacuumed and/or washed.

Clean switch plates.

Floors in kitchen and bath or any linoleum should be cleaned.

Fireplace(s) should be clean of all debris, including ashes.

Drapes should be vacuumed.

Blinds should be cleaned.

Light bulbs should be replaced where needed.

Light covers should be removed from light fixtures and cleaned.

Everything must be removed from closets (including coat hangers) and shelves need to be cleaned.

## Kitchen :

Range should be completely cleaned, including broiler pans.

Clean stovetop, panel, and dials.

Drip pans should be removed and the underneath surface cleaned.

Drip pans must be cleaned. Replace if they do not appear new after cleaning.

Clean under and behind stove.

Clean under and behind fridge.

Exhaust fans and overhead light should be free from grease and dirt, including filter.

Dishwasher should be wiped out, including around the inside of the door.

Garbage disposal should have ice cubes ran through it.

Cabinets and drawer fronts cleaned.

Clean inside and outside surface of microwave, including underside filter.

Defrost refrigerator, if applicable, and remove any water. DO NOT TURN OFF FRIDGE WHEN VACATING.

Clean inside refrigerator and under crisper drawers.

Clean all countertop surfaces.

Clean the inside and outside of all cabinets. Wipe down all shelves.

Clean and wipe put all drawers.

Clean sink and faucet fixtures.

Wipe down all pantry shelves.

Clean light fixtures and covers.

Wipe off all electrical covers.

Clean all walls, including ceilings and corners.

Mop floor and/or vacuum carpet.

Wipe down all baseboards.

Wipe down all woodwork.

Clean doors and around frames.

Clean vents on floor or wall.

## **LIVING ROOM:**

Clean electrical outlet covers.

Clean light fixture & covers.

Vacuum carpet & edges by baseboards.

Wipe down baseboards.

Clean walls, ceilings & corners.

Clean windows, window sills & tracks (*most windows lift out of tracks for easy cleaning*).

Clean doors and around door frames.

Clean all vents on floor *or* wall.

Clean out closet & wipe down shelves.

Remove any cobwebs.

## **Bathrooms:**

Tiles should be washed and grout cleaned.

Vanity and medicine cabinet should be cleaned, including shelves and mirrors.

Tub, shower, sink, and toilet should be cleaned and sanitized.

Glass door, if applicable, should be cleaned so all of the soap scum is removed.

Exhaust fans should be taken down and cleaned.

Clean bathtub, shower walls & fixtures.

Clean soap dishes & wipe down towel bars.

Thoroughly clean toilet inside & out.

Wipe down all counter tops.

Clean & wipe out all drawers.

Clean electrical outlet covers.

Clean light fixture & covers.

Clean walls, ceilings & corners.

Remove any cobwebs.

Mop floor *and/or* vacuum carpet.  
Wipe down baseboards.  
Clean doors and around door frames.  
Clean all vents on floor or wall.

### **BEDROOM(S):**

Vacuum carpet & edges by baseboards.  
Wipe down baseboards.  
Clean electrical outlet covers.  
Clean light fixture & covers.  
Clean walls, ceilings & corners.  
Remove any cobwebs.  
Clean windows, window sills & tracks (*most windows lift out of tracks for easy cleaning*).  
Clean doors and around door frames.  
Clean all vents on floor or wall.  
Clean out closet & wipe down shelves.

### **YARD AREA**

Weed all flower beds and mow and edge the lawn.  
Remove all personal items and garbage.

### **GARAGE:**

All trash needs to be removed from the premises.  
Clean any oil stains from floor using an appropriate cleaner.  
Sweep floor.

### **MISCELLANEOUS (IF APPLICABLE):**

Clean ceiling fan blades & draperies.  
Empty & clean out storage units and/or garage, deck or patio.  
Replace any burned-out light bulbs throughout home and garage.  
Replace any dead smoke detector batteries.  
Replace furnace filter, if applicable.  
Replace garage remote/keypad batteries if necessary.  
Remove all paper towel holders, adhesive (if you installed).  
Remove hooks, ceiling hooks, mounted mirrors, etc. that you installed. Properly patch holes. If you intend to do touch up painting, you must paint the ENIRE wall with an approved color.

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