

CHECKLIST FOR REAL ESTATE PHOTOGRAPHY



GENERAL

- Make sure all light fixtures work properly
- Turn off ceiling fans
- Open all window blinds/curtains
- Wipe down countertops and clean/vacuum floors
- Put away personal affects you do not wish to appear in published images (i.e.: children's names, family photos, confidential information)
- Limit holiday/seasonal decorations as they can date the photos
- Remove all pet items (i.e.: toys, bowls, beds, scratching posts and litter boxes)
- If possible, kennel pets

KITCHEN

- Clean all major appliances
- Clean and clear off countertops and remove small appliances
- Remove all items from refrigerator doors
- Put away dish towels and paper towels
- Make sure the sink is clean and free of dishes
- Remove garbage and recycling cans

OFFICE

- Remove papers and clutter from desk
- Put away garbage cans and shredder
- Straighten any items on shelves



EXTERIOR

- Turn on all exterior lighting and ensure they work properly
- Move vehicles/trailers from driveway and away from front of the home
- Open all curtains and blinds
- Place garbage and recycling cans in garage or out of sight
- Close all windows and doors, including garage doors
- Straighten and arrange deck furniture
- Open umbrellas
- Sweep patio and deck
- Remove all gardening tools, hoses and sprinklers
- Shovel driveway and sidewalks
- Remove pool covers
- Put away pool toys and cleaning equipment
- Turn off exterior floodlights (for night shoots)
- Turn on all interior lighting (for night shoots)

FOYER/MUDROOM/LAUNDRY

- Put away coats and shoes or display neatly
- Display neatly or remove backpacks and bags
- Remove baskets, clothing and laundry products
- Empty washing machine and dryer (if visible)



BATHROOM

- Remove all shampoos, soaps, lotions and bath products
- Put away toothbrushes, combs, razors and beauty products
- Remove the scale, garbage can, plunger and toilet brush
- Replace toilet paper roll if needed
- Put out clean towels and make sure they are hung or nicely folded
- Clean mirrors

BEDROOM

- Make beds
- Remove all laundry, slippers and shoes
- Clear off nightstands and vanities
- If walk-in closets are to be photographed, they should appear neat and organized

LIVING ROOM

- Remove or straighten any items on open shelves
- Remove extra or unnecessary furniture
- Straighten and adjust couch and chair cushions
- Clear off and organize end tables
- Put away children's toys, video games, consoles and controllers