

Preparing Your Home for Viewing

This checklist is our suggestions to help assist you in making sure your home is in the best possible condition when being viewed by a potential buyer. The better your home looks the better chance for a quick sale.

MAKE THE FIRST IMPRESSION COUNT

OUTSIDE

Scrape and Paint peeling paint if necessary
Trim trees and shrubbery
Weed flower beds
Wash exterior windows
Repair gutters and shutters
Inspect the roof & replace missing shingles
Repair broken steps
Repair fences
Mow lawn
Edge lawn
Put pets outside/Keep pet area clean
Make sure drives are accessible
Place garbage cans out of sight
Rake leaves
Sweep decks and walks

BATHROOMS

Repair dripping faucets
Clean stains
Replace/repair caulking
De-clutter counters
Hang out clean towels
Wipe down mirrors and faucets
Scrub sink, toilet bowl, tub, & shower
Wash/Wax floor

KITCHEN

Clean oven and other appliances
Clean vent fan
Clean and straighten cupboards
Wax floor
Remove unused appliances from counter (toasters, blenders, etc.)
Clean windows and ledges
Clean counter tops
Scrub sinks and shine faucets
Clean and put away dishes
Wash window coverings

LIVING, DINING & BEDROOMS

Repaint if necessary, neutral colors
Repair stains on walls & ceilings
Replace/Clean carpeting as necessary
Repair loose stairs and railings
Plaster nail holes
Replace missing tiles
Replace missing molding
Repair light fixtures & switches
Replace light bulbs
Lubricate squeaking cabinets & doors
Wash/repair windows
Clean carpets
Remove/Cover worn furniture
Clean fireplace
Wax wood and tile floors
Consider rearranging furniture
Organize clothes closets
Place excess items from closets in storage
Pack personal items
Pack breakables & valuables
Hide electrical cords
Vacuum rugs and carpets
Clear clutter from tables and shelves
Straighten items on tables and shelves
Use room deodorizers
Turn on lights
Make beds
Clean ashtrays & waste baskets
Open blinds and curtains

BASEMENT, ATTIC, & GARAGE

Vacuum/Dust floors & rafters
Stack stored items neatly
Replace light bulbs
Clean furnace & air conditioner – replace filters

WHALEN 

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