

Preparing for Showings Checklist



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homes

This list will help you prepare for showing your home and your photoshoot with our in-house photographer! The better prepared your home is, the better the shoot. Call/text your agent if you have any questions!

- Open drapes, shades, blinds. If the view is of something like your neighbor's A/C unit, just open enough to let light in while obscuring the A/C unit.
- Turn on lights to make your home look bright and cheerful. This is something you can cover with your stager, you want to create a feel, not light a runway.
- Pick up shoes, toys, and any other items that might be scattered around.
- Put any dirty dishes in the dishwasher and close it. Maybe even run it, especially if the unit is quiet.
- Empty all trash. Nothing turns off a buyer more than smelly trash.
- Wipe down all countertops and tables.
- Make all beds.
- Run the vacuum.
- Put away all clothes.
- Make sure all dirty clothes are out of sight.
- Make sure rooms smell good, spray a deodorizer if necessary. Be careful on this one, you don't want to mask nasty odors, you want to eliminate them. Like trash, nasty odors kill sales.
- Make sure any medications are out of sight.
- Pro Tip* Turn oven on to 250 degrees. Put a small amount of vanilla extract on a piece of foil into the oven. This will simulate the smell of freshly baked chocolate chip cookies. Yummy!
- Turn off all televisions. You can play soft music at a low volume in the background only.
- Make sure all papers, mail, bills, and any other confidential materials are out of sight.
- Secure any jewelry, cash, or other valuables.
- Adjust the temperature; make sure your home is warm in the winter and cool in the summer.

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