

MOVE-IN CLEANING CHECKLIST

Print this, check it off, move in clean.

Work top to bottom in every room. Ceilings first, floors last. Finish one room completely before you start the next, so you can start unloading while the rest of the house is still in progress.

BEFORE YOU START

- ☐ Confirm water, power, and gas are on and in your name
- ☐ Set your cleaning supplies aside in the car, not the moving container
- ☐ Walk the house and note anything that needs a repair before furniture goes in
- ☐ Renting? Photograph every room before you touch anything

SUPPLIES TO HAVE ON HAND

All-purpose cleaner, degreaser, disinfectant, bathroom cleaner, glass cleaner, grout brush, scrub sponges, microfiber cloths, mop, vacuum, rubber gloves, trash bags, paper towels

KITCHEN

- ☐ Ceiling light fixtures and vent covers
- ☐ Range hood filter
- ☐ Cabinet exteriors, handles, and toe kicks
- ☐ Vacuum inside cabinets and drawers
- ☐ Wipe cabinet and drawer interiors and shelf edges
- ☐ Refrigerator shelves and drawers washed in the sink
- ☐ Refrigerator interior walls, door gaskets, and drip tray
- ☐ Oven interior and racks
- ☐ Stovetop and burner grates
- ☐ Microwave interior
- ☐ Dishwasher cycle run empty with cleaner or vinegar
- ☐ Countertops and backsplash
- ☐ Sink basin and faucet
- ☐ Garbage disposal sanitized
- ☐ Behind and under the range and refrigerator
- ☐ Baseboards
- ☐ Floor vacuumed and mopped

BATHROOMS

- ☐ Exhaust fan cover pulled and washed
- ☐ Light fixtures
- ☐ Mirror and medicine cabinet
- ☐ Vanity counter, drawers, and cabinet interior
- ☐ Under-sink plumbing area
- ☐ Faucets and fixtures polished
- ☐ Toilet bowl, seat, lid, tank exterior, and base
- ☐ Toilet seat replaced (optional, about \$20)
- ☐ Shower walls, door, and track
- ☐ Tub surface and surround
- ☐ Tub and sink drains cleared of hair
- ☐ Grout cleaned and resealed if stained
- ☐ Towel bars and hooks
- ☐ Baseboards
- ☐ Floor vacuumed and mopped

Repeat for each bathroom.

BEDROOMS AND LIVING SPACES

- ☐ Ceiling fan blades dusted from above
- ☐ Light fixtures
- ☐ Air vent covers
- ☐ Walls and doors spot-cleaned
- ☐ Tops of door frames
- ☐ Door knobs and light switch plates disinfected
- ☐ Closet shelving, rods, and the wall behind the door
- ☐ Window glass, sills, and tracks
- ☐ Blinds or window treatments
- ☐ Baseboards and trim
- ☐ Floor vacuumed
- ☐ Carpet steam cleaned or hard floors mopped

Repeat for each room.

WHOLE HOUSE

- ☐ Every HVAC filter replaced
- ☐ Vent covers pulled and washed
- ☐ Duct cleaning priced out if the last household had pets or smoked
- ☐ Water heater and laundry hookups checked
- ☐ Dryer vent cleared
- ☐ Entryway, stairs, and hallway floors
- ☐ Front and back door thresholds
- ☐ Garage swept
- ☐ Smoke and carbon monoxide detector batteries replaced
- ☐ Locks rekeyed

NEW CONSTRUCTION ADD-ONS

A builder's final clean covers the visible surfaces. Drywall dust keeps resurfacing for weeks.

- ☐ HEPA vacuum every surface before wiping anything
- ☐ Damp microfiber on all hard surfaces, no dry dusting
- ☐ Tops of door frames and window casings
- ☐ Cabinet and pantry interiors before dishes go in
- ☐ Window tracks and sills
- ☐ HVAC filter changed the first week
- ☐ HVAC filter changed again at 30 days
- ☐ Second full pass scheduled for one month out

ROOM-BY-ROOM MOVE-IN

Clean a room, then unload that room. If your belongings are in a portable container in the driveway, you can work at whatever pace the house requires instead of unloading everything on day one.

- ☐ Primary bedroom cleaned and unloaded
- ☐ Kitchen cleaned and unloaded
- ☐ Bathrooms cleaned and unloaded
- ☐ Remaining bedrooms cleaned and unloaded
- ☐ Living spaces cleaned and unloaded
- ☐ Garage and storage areas cleaned and unloaded

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