

# Move Out Cleaning Checklist

An end-of-tenancy move out cleaning checklist to pass inspection and secure your deposit.

## Whole-Home Prep

- Remove all furniture, belongings, and trash from every room
- Patch small nail holes and touch up scuffed paint if your lease requires it
- Dust ceiling corners, fans, and light fixtures throughout
- Wipe down all walls, doors, frames, and light switches
- Clean air vents and replace HVAC filters
- Take dated photos once each room is cleaned  
Photos protect you if there is any dispute over the deposit.

## Kitchen

- Clean the oven interior, racks, broiler, and door glass
- Pull out the stove and fridge to clean behind and underneath
- Empty, defrost, and wipe the refrigerator and freezer
- Degrease the range hood and replace or wash the filter
- Empty and wipe inside all cabinets and drawers
- Scrub the sink, descale the faucet, and clean the disposal
- Wipe countertops, the backsplash, and cabinet fronts

## Bathrooms

- Scrub and disinfect the toilet, including the base and behind it
- Deep clean the shower, tub, and remove all soap scum
- Scrub grout lines and treat any mildew
- Descale the showerhead, faucets, and fixtures
- Clean the mirror, vanity, and inside the cabinets
- Clear and disinfect all drains
- Clean the exhaust fan cover and mop the floor

## Bedrooms and Living Areas

- Wipe down baseboards, trim, and door frames
- Clean inside and outside of all closets and shelving
- Dust and wipe window sills, ledges, and built-ins
- Remove any wall hooks, mounts, and adhesive residue
- Spot-clean walls and remove scuff marks
- Vacuum or steam-clean carpets to lift stains

## Windows, Doors and Fixtures

- Wash interior windows and wipe them streak-free
- Vacuum and wipe window tracks and sills
- Dust blinds and launder or wipe curtains if they stay
- Clean light fixtures and replace any burnt-out bulbs
- Wipe down all doors, handles, and frames

- Clean mirrors and any glass surfaces

### **Floors and Final Walkthrough**

- Sweep and vacuum every room, including closets and corners
- Mop all hard floors and spot-treat stains
- Steam-clean or shampoo carpets if required by the lease
- Clean and disinfect any outdoor patio, balcony, or entry
- Remove all trash and leave bins clean
- Do a final inspection room by room against your lease checklist