



Photo Shoot Prep List

Having the house prepped and photo-ready before we arrive for your real estate photography shoot will help us to capture photos that make a great first impression on future buyers. While these steps are not all required, they are highly recommended and greatly appreciated!

General

- Clean and vacuum the entire house
- Turn on all lights in the house
- Replace any missing or burned out light bulbs
- Turn off all ceiling fans
- Turn all TVs and computer screens off
- Open blinds/window treatments to let in as much light as possible
- Remove small area rugs to reveal the actual flooring
- Hide pet belongings in garage or closet (bowls, beds, cages, litter boxes, etc.)
- Please keep all pets in a kennel or offsite during your appointment

Exterior

- Close garage doors & remove cars from driveway and front of house
- Remove visible water hoses, trash cans, recycling bins, and other miscellaneous items that are not directly part of the exterior area
- Arrange outdoor furniture as you would like it photographed. If there is a patio umbrella, please open it.
- Sweep/remove leaves and other items in patio areas and walkways
- Remove yard signs (For Sale, home security, school, etc.)
- Clean pool and remove any toys

Entryway

- Place all shoes and jackets in closets
- Remove all mail and clutter from entryway tables

Kitchen

- Clear countertops completely. Remove small appliances like toasters & blenders
- Clear the refrigerator of magnets, photos, etc.
- Hide garbage cans in pantry or closet
- Remove dishes from sink

Dining Room

- Clear off table and remove clutter
- Straighten all chairs and space them evenly
- Remove high chairs/booster seats

Living Room

- Remove childrens toys
- Minimize clutter on surfaces like the mantel, side tables, and coffee table

Bedrooms

- Make all beds
- Clear nightstand of all personal items (photos, toiletries, etc.)
- Store away phone/tablet charging cables
- Remove all clutter from top of dressers
- Check under beds and remove any items that may show in photos

Bathrooms

- Clear countertops of all personal items (soap, toothbrushes, deodorant, etc.)
- Remove all personal items from showers and tubs (shampoo, razors, etc.)
- Remove bath mats
- Remove towels or replace with brand new, unused towels
- Hide trash cans in closet
- Put toilet seats down

For vacant houses, staging can make a huge difference in maximizing your home's appeal to future buyers.

Important: Our photographers are unable to assist you in cleaning or moving any personal property due to insurance limitations