

# Home Showing Checklist

The time has come to open your home to potential buyers. Whether it's an open house or individual showing appointments, below is a list of to-dos you can complete to display your home in the best possible light.



- Complete a deep clean of the home, including the floors, baseboards, windows, appliances, bathrooms, counters, and more.
- Set the temperature to a comfortable level depending on the season and weather.
- Open all curtains and blinds to let in light.
- Air out the house and ensure there are no lingering odors.
- Bake fresh bread or cookies 20 to 30 minutes before the showing or open house.
- Rearrange furniture to improve foot traffic and flow throughout the house, if necessary.
- Sweep and power wash your driveway, walkways, and steps.
- Mow the lawn, trim hedges and trees, pull weeds, and rake leaves.
- Simplify decor and keep it neutral.
- Declutter bedrooms, living room, kitchen, and bathrooms to help rooms look larger.
- Remove bulky furniture to open up the room.
- Add a few healthy potted plants throughout the house.
- Remove about half the items from closets and drawers and straighten up the remaining items to help display storage area and closet capacity.
- Remove personal items, like photos, kid's drawings, notes, and mementos, from around the house.
- Add colorful throws or pillows to furniture to brighten up a room.
- Lock up or entirely remove any private effects or valuables.
- Check for leaks under all sinks and repair.
- Remove personal toiletries and hang fresh hand towels in all bathrooms.
- Close all toilet lids.
- Arrange for pets to be out of the house or boarded.



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