

Our 77-point Cleaning Checklist for Vacation Rental Turnovers

Don't hire just any cleaning service. Hire vacation rental turnover specialists.

Our clients have come to expect detailed cleaning, staging, damage reporting, and inventory management. We take pride in all we do and pay attention to detail so that you can have peace of mind.

Bedrooms

- Change sheets and pillowcases
- Make beds to "hotel standards"
- Check for wear and tear and clean/replace mattress pad, pillows, pillow protectors, sheets, and blankets
- Vacuum floor and under furniture/beds
- Remove trash and clean trash cans
- Check for personal belongings or trash left in drawers, closets, under the bed, behind the headboards, and behind nightstands
- Dust window sills and ledges
- Dust furniture, knick-knacks, ceiling fans, blinds, and window sills, and clean mirrors
- Ensure clocks are on correct time and outlets are available for phone charging
- Check stereos, game systems, TVs, and remotes
- Ensure closets are stocked with appropriate number of hangers, floor fans, humidifier (if applicable), extra clean blankets, and pillows in plastic storage bin/bag

Living Room

- Check stereos, game systems, TVs, and remotes
- Ensure welcome sheet/book is in a visible location and is in good condition
- Sweep, vacuum, and mop floors/carpets
- Check under cushions and couches for debris and other items
- Clean and straighten decor like pillows, blankets, etc.
- Dust window sills and ledges
- Dust and clean furniture, blinds, picture frames, knick-knacks, ceiling fans, and lamps
- Make sure all board games, movies, and books are in good condition and neatly organized
- Wash windows (interior) and sliding glass doors
- Check fireplace has no ashes and firewood is neatly stacked

Bathrooms

- Clean, scrub, and sanitize showers, bathtubs, vanity, sinks, and backsplashes
- Clean mirrors
- Clean and sanitize toilets (inside, outside, under the front, around the base, and behind)
- Sweep and mop floors
- Wash tile walls
- Remove trash and clean trash cans
- Replenish soap, bathroom liquids, and amenities
- Replenish toilet paper (2 extra rolls ONLY under the sink)
- Set clean towels and shower mat, stage to hotel standards
- Check for wear and tear or stains on towels
- Ensure shower curtains or doors are free of mold and water spots
- Wipe down window sills and windows
- Clean dust and debris on vents and fans
- Clean and place hairdryer neatly under the sink or in drawer
- Ensure tissue box is sufficiently full
- Clean out drawers and cabinets

Outdoor Space

- Sweep porch and dust off the entry door
- Wipe off patio set and straighten
- Ensure outdoor cushions are in good condition and out for upcoming guests
- Wipe down BBQ grill, ensure grilling tools are clean, and that there is enough propane for upcoming guests
- Ensure all outdoor lights are functioning
- Walk around the property to make sure all cigarette butts and pet scat have been removed

Entire Apartment, Condo, or Home

- Report if the smoke and carbon monoxide detectors are beeping
- Check for personal belongings left in rooms/Report if possibly left by guests
- Check locks and close entry doors (report if battery warning is on)
- Dust off A/C vents, grids, and fans test A/C and fans
- Set thermostats to the agreed-upon temperature for an empty house or an upcoming arrival
- Check and clean all windows (interior) close and lock all windows before leaving
- Check for pest control service needs
- Check for stains on carpets, rugs, furniture, or curtains
- Discard magazines that are older than 6 months
- Discard paper plates, plastic cups, plastic cutlery, and paper/plastic bags
- Walk through and check the home is not only clean but staged (to "hotel standards")
- Take photos of each room and patio once service is completed

Garage

- Dispose of all trash and recycling
- Sweep
- Ensure all owner items stored in the garage are secure

Laundry Area

- Be sure washer and dryer are empty; clean out lint trap
- Wipe down machines (including seal areas) and leave open
- Wash floor (sweep or mop)
- Remove trash and clean trash cans
- Ensure laundry provisions are stocked (i.e. laundry detergent, dryer sheets, or fabric softener)
- Ensure iron, ironing board, and distilled water are in place

Kitchen

- Load, run, and empty dishwasher; clean any dirty dishes and dishwasher rim
- Discard any leftover food; donate if seal unbroken
- Remove trash and recyclables; clean and sanitize trash can and replace trash bags
- Clean counters, cabinets, table, and chairs
- Clean, scrub, and sanitize sinks and backsplashes
- Clean range top and wipe inside of the oven
- Clean appliances (interiors and exteriors), including the inside of toaster oven, microwave, coffee maker, and phone
- Empty and clean inside and outside of refrigerator and freezer (check ice quantity and quality)
- Wash floor (sweep or mop)
- Wipe down windows and window sills
- Refill soap dispenser
- Put out clean dish towels, linen napkins, and a new sponge
- Ensure all dishes, utensils, pots, and pans are clean and arranged neatly