

MIL MOVE's Listing Prep Checklist

The most important improvements to make that won't break the bank

EXTERIOR

INSPECT CURB APPEAL

- ☐ Remove peeling paint; apply a fresh coat
- ☐ Clear and repair gutters and downspouts
- ☐ Replace chipped/cracked siding
- ☐ Fix damaged fencing
- ☐ Replace lightbulbs in exterior fixtures
- ☐ Repair the roof as needed
- ☐ Power wash siding and driveway
- ☐ Repair cracks in masonry
- ☐ Remove weeds from driveway cracks

DECKS/PATIOS

SAFETY AND FUNCTIONALITY

- ☐ Power wash to remove dirt/mildew
- ☐ Paint/Stain worn areas on wood decks
- ☐ Replace warped or broken boards
- ☐ Ensure stairs and rails are secure
- ☐ Clean outdoor furniture and grills

YARD

PRUNED AND TIDY

- ☐ Mow lawn and trim edges
- ☐ Reseed and fertilize any large patches in front yard
- ☐ Prune overgrown trees or shrubs
- ☐ Weed flowerbeds and mulch
- ☐ Store lawn ornaments/decor

GARAGE

ORGANIZED AND CRITTER-FREE

- ☐ Organize tools, equipment, and storage
- ☐ Sweep floor of dirt, grass clippings, etc.
- ☐ Ensure garage door works with remote
- ☐ Power wash flooring
- ☐ Replace lightbulbs/repair walls as needed

FRONT DOOR

FIRST IMPRESSIONS MATTER

- ☐ Clean thoroughly (consider repainting)
- ☐ Polish or replace hardware
- ☐ Clean the storm door glass
- ☐ Secure screen if applicable
- ☐ Ensure locking mechanism doesn't stick
- ☐ Check doorbell chime
- ☐ Ensure door does not creak or stick when opened

ENTRYWAY

MAKE PROSPECTS FEEL AT HOME

- ☐ Clean floor and area rug
- ☐ Declutter entryway and storage closet to give a spacious feeling
- ☐ Increase lighting in the area

WINDOWS

INCREASE LIGHTING

- ☐ Clean all windows inside and out
- ☐ Dust, clean , and/or paint trim
- ☐ Ensure windows open/close easily
- ☐ Replace any cracked glass
- ☐ Secure and clean screens and replace any with holes

BASEMENT

UNDERGROUND BUT NOT OVERLOOKED

- ☐ Check for water penetration or dampness; call for professional repairs if necessary
- ☐ Get rid of musty odors
- ☐ Clean furnace, water heater, and drains
- ☐ Make sure light fixtures work
- ☐ Organize storage area
- ☐ Make sure stairway handrail is secure

LIVING/FAMILY/DINING ROOMS

DEPERSONALIZE AND DECLUTTER

- ☐ Give rooms a fresh coat of paint as needed
- ☐ Repair cracks and holes in ceiling and walls
- ☐ Repaint any woodwork that is worn or chipped
- ☐ Clean or replace draperies and blinds; open them to maximize light
- ☐ Steam-clean carpets
- ☐ Clean rugs and wood flooring, and remove any stains or odors
- ☐ Position the furniture to showcase the size and space of the room
- ☐ Remove any items (curtains, chandeliers, washer/dryer etc.) that you wish to keep
- ☐ Put away toys and hobby supplies; remove extra magazines and books from tables

BATHROOMS

FRESH AND CLEAN

- ☐ Make sure sinks, tubs, showers and countertops are clean and free of stains
- ☐ Fix dripping faucets and leaks
- ☐ Remove grout and soap stains from tile
- ☐ Replace any missing/cracked tiles
- ☐ Make sure all joints are caulked
- ☐ Make sure all fixtures, including heat lamps and exhaust fans, are operating
- ☐ Install a new shower curtain and buy matching towels
- ☐ Store all supplies, such as toilet paper, make-up, and shower products
- ☐ Unclog plumbing in sinks, showers, and tubs if they fill faster than drain
- ☐ Clean all mirrors
- ☐ Remove odors with air freshening spray of candles

BEDROOMS

FOCUS ON PRIMARY SUITE

- ☐ Repair cracks in ceiling and walls
- ☐ Apply a fresh coat of paint if necessary
- ☐ Clean curtains and blinds; open them to maximize light
- ☐ Put away toys, clothes, and clutter
- ☐ Neatly make the beds
- ☐ Organize closets

KITCHEN

PURGE AND BLEACH

- ☐ Make sure countertops, grout, and sinks are clean and stain-free
- ☐ Fix dripping faucets and leaks
- ☐ Organize pantry and cupboards so they appear clean, neat and spacious
- ☐ Make sure the refrigerator and freezer are defrosted and free of odors
- ☐ Clean the oven and cook-top thoroughly
- ☐ Set the table
- ☐ Sanitize the dishwasher and disposal
- ☐ Remove appliances from countertop

THROUGHOUT

FOCUS POINTS

- ☐ Clean all floors, carpets, walls and trim
- ☐ Replace burned-out light bulbs
- ☐ Empty trash
- ☐ Remove photos, valuables, and prescriptions
- ☐ Use air fresheners
- ☐ Remove all "fixer" cars, campers and boats
- ☐ Tidy and declutter all closets
- ☐ Store pet supplies
- ☐ At night, turn on the outdoor lighting
- ☐ Clean, Declutter, and Depersonalize



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