

PREPPING YOUR HOME FOR THE MARKET

INTERIOR/EXTERIOR REPAIRS

Items most likely to draw negative attention from buyers, inspectors and appraisers.

Missing flooring/transition strips	Damaged or missing gutters/downspouts	
Peeling paint	Rotten Wood (deck boards, window trim, etc.)	
Water heater straps	Pressure washing (if exterior is dirty)	
Smoke & Co Detectors	Moss on roof	

CLEANING	BEFORE PHOTOS	BEFORE SHOWINGS	AT MOVE OUT
Wipe down trim/baseboards touch up paint if necessary			
Dust ledges/window sills			
Mop/sweep/vacuum			
Clean windows/mirrors			
Clear & clean appliances, counters			
Landscaping- freshen up yard! Mow, edge, rake, etc.			

MINIMIZING

Maximizing the "wow" in photos!

Kitchen/Living/Dining - Minimize items on counter tops/side tables

Living areas - toys/extra blankets/remotes/misc. home items in a basket or closet

Bathrooms - Remove extra towels, robes, tooth brushes and accessories from centers

Bedrooms - Clear nightstands, dresser tops, tidy toy storage and make beds

Outside - Remove old toys/planters/misc. items from yard you don't plan to take with you

Vehicles - Park cars in garage or out of view (for front photo AND aerial). Move any RVs, boats, etc.

Pets - Place kennels in garage or laundy and take them with you during showings

HOME STYLING

Arrange furniture so there are clear walkways, conversational areas and a space to set a drink

Turn on lights before leaving for showing, open curtains/blinds to enhance natural lighting

Light a candle or wall fragrance to make the spaces smell inviting

Remove larger personal photos and/or religious items (photos remain visible online after closing!)