

Real Estate Photography Checklist

Interior:

- Make sure all lights and lamps have working light bulbs
- Turn off all ceiling fans
- Hide remote controls
- Remove all notes, pictures and magnets from refrigerator
- Hide any non-decorative trash cans
- Pet beds, feeding bowls and toys stored out of sight
- Minimize wires and electronics
- Minimize small kitchen appliances if there are many, remove paper towels, cleaners, etc.
- Clear all medications, toothbrushes/holders and toiletries from bathrooms (minimal decorative soap, perfume bottles are ok)
- Put toilet lids down
- Hide bathmats, laundry baskets, extra toilet paper, toilet brush, and scales from bathrooms
- Remove the shampoo, soaps, washcloths, etc. from showers
- Walk-in closets should be neat and organized
- Clear personal items from nightstands
- Avoid hiding items under bed. They may be seen in the photograph

Exterior:

- Remove all vehicles from the driveway. Make sure the garage doors are closed. Do not park cars in front of the house
- Remove trash cans, garden tools and sprinklers from view (can be hidden in garage)
- Mow the lawn. Clean up any yard debris
- Store mower out of sight
- Neatly stow or remove hoses
- Sweep the porch and sidewalks

The photographs of your home are the most important part of making a great first impression. Completing this checklist before the photographer arrives will make the process go fast and smooth. Please let your agent know if there are some special features that you want to include or areas you want excluded. Unfinished basements, attics and garages are not usually photographed unless requested.