Home Seller's Checklist

Make Your Home Look Great and Sell Faster

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Let's face it ... most people don't live in their homes the way they look when they are offered for sale! While not all of these tips will apply to you, the goal is to make your home as appealing as possible to the broadest number of Target Buyers. The closer we can get your home to the "ideal", the better our chances of **selling your home quickly at the highest possible price.**

Exterior Items	Landscaping
 Repair Siding, Shutters, as Needed Replace Missing Shingles, as Needed Repair Gutters, as Needed Repaint Exterior or Just the Trim, if Needed Wash the Exterior, Shutters and Driveway Clean the Gutters Clean Windows, and Scrape Paint Spatters Seal Cracks in the Driveway Remove Storm Door Repaint Front Door Sweep the Front Porch Hang Simple Grapevine Wreath on Front Door Repair Fencing, as needed Install New Mailbox and Post Remove Children's Toy's, Bikes, etc 	 Trim all Hedges and Shrubs Add Mulch to Flowerbeds and Shrubs Plant Flowers or Add Pots of Bright Flowers Fertilize the Lawn to Improve Color Edge the Lawn, Driveway Clear Leaves, Branches etc. from Lawn Keep the Lawn Mowed Remove any Rusted Items such as Swing Sets, Sports Equipment, Lawn Furniture, or Grills Remove any Dead Shrubs or Flowers Store Garbage Cans Out of Sight Provide Fact Sheet on Swimming Pool, Show Cost & Time Involved in Upkeep to Minimize Concerns
Keep Newspapers, Flyers Picked Up	Clean Pool, as Needed
Maximize Your Space	Entry & Living Areas
 Paint Rooms LIGHT Neutral Colors Remove Small Pictures From the Walls Remove Unnecessary Furniture Position Furniture to Maximize Floor Space Remove Drapes (Leave Blinds) Closets No More than Half Full 	 Create Distinct Entry Divider, Plants, etc. Add New Floor mat Remove any Cobwebs Replace Worn Carpeting Thru-out (Neutral) Eliminate Odors – Pets, Kitchen, Basement Eliminate Floor Squeaks
Clean Out Basement	Pets
 Clean Out Garage Clean Out Attic Store Extra Items Offsite Remove Items From Countertops Install Higher Wattage Light bulbs Remove Extra Leaf from Dining Tables Keep Minimum Amount of Toys Out Check Walk Flow to Allow Easy Open Flow 	It is Recommended that Pets Not be Home During Showings. If this is not possible, the next best thing is to have them in an enclosed pen or cage. Many People are Fearful of Animals, even Small Ones. Ideally if You are Able to Take the Pets Out, Remember to Pick up any Food Dishes, etc.
Personal Items	Dining Room
 Store Collectibles (Figurines & Fragile Items) Store any Political, Religious Mementos as well as any Sports Awards Remove Family Photos Remove Animal Fur Rugs Store Valuables 	 If Tablecloth is used – Use a New White One Use a Centerpiece on the Table Place Fresh-Cut Flowers in a Vase on Table Clean Chandelier Bulbs and Globes

Kitchen	All Bedrooms
 Clean from Top to Bottom Include Inside of Oven, Refrigerator Clean Inside of Dishwasher by Running it with the Soap Dispenser Filled with Country Time Lemonade Mix (citric acid works well) Clean Out Drawers to Maximize Space If Cabinets are Dated Consider Painting and Replacing Hardware Paint the Kitchen a Neutral Color Remove Refrigerator Magnets and Hangings 	 Remove Wallpaper, Paint Neutral Color Remove any Bulky Furniture Keep Headboards Clear and Free of Clutter Use a New Bedspread Clean out Closets Install Closet Organizer to Maximize Space Organize Shoes on Shoe Rack Make the Beds Daily Be Sure Children's Toys are Put Away Store Valuables Out of Sight
Store Most Small Appliances	Basement & Garage
 Store Most Countertop Items Consider Replacing Dated Appliances Remove Window Treatments Add Under Cabinet Lights Remove any Pet Items from Kitchen Area If Laundry Adjoins, Make Sure it's Sparkling 	 Move Extra Boxes and Items to Storage Organize Remaining Items Along Walls Clean Basement Windows Wipe Down Furnace and Water Heater Remove Stains from Floors
Bathrooms	Home Inspections
 Repair Loose or Cracked Tiles Clean Tile and Grout Remove Stains from Sink, Tubs or Replace Repair Leaky Faucets Polish Chrome Fixtures Install New Solid Color Shower Curtain Store Personal Hygiene Items Replace Toilet Seat if Cracked Repair Exhaust Fan, as Needed Install GFCI Outlet, if None Present Use Decorative Holder for Reading Material Strategically Place Decorative Towels 	Consider Having Your Home Pre-Inspected. It is Almost Always Less Expensive to Find and Fix Repairs Upfront Versus Waiting for a Buyer to Request Repairs. In Addition, if The Buyer Finds it First, It May Cost You The Sale.