

# How to Clean When Your Home is For Sale

A deep clean can help your home shine and make it easier to keep up between showings.

## Sparkling Windows

Crystal-clear windows let in more light and instantly freshen up a space. Remove screens and set them on a clean, flat surface outdoors. Gently wash with mild soap, water, and a soft brush, then rinse. For the glass, mix water with a splash of white vinegar and a drop of mild dish soap. Wipe with a lint-free cloth or paper towel for streak-free results.

## Freshen the Fridge

Kitchen odors can turn buyers away. Wipe down shelves and drawers with a gentle baking soda solution. Don't forget to empty and clean the drip tray if your refrigerator has one. A small container of baking soda inside can help absorb lingering smells.

## Boost Curb Appeal with a Clean Entry

The front entrance sets the tone for the whole home. Wipe down the front door, shake or vacuum the doormat, and remove dust from outdoor furniture. If you have access to a pressure washer, give walkways and the driveway a rinse. For stubborn stains on concrete, use a degreasing cleaner and scrub as needed.

## Bathrooms that Shine

For tile floors, use your preferred floor cleaner and scrub the grout with a small brush. To keep drains fresh, flush with hot water after pouring in a small amount of baking soda followed by vinegar. Wash plastic shower curtains in the gentle cycle with detergent and a cup of vinegar; air-dry by rehang immediately.

## Freshen Beds and Furniture

Vacuum mattresses, box springs, and upholstered cushions, then rotate or flip them if possible. Launder bed skirts, mattress pads, and other bedding for a crisp, inviting look. To restore fluff to a comforter, shake it out well to redistribute the filling.

## Clean the Walls

Walls can hold dust, grease, and smoke residue. Instead of spot-cleaning—which can leave uneven marks—wipe entire sections from top to bottom using a diluted all-purpose cleaner and a soft sponge or mop. Rinse your sponge often, and gently buff away scuffs with a non-abrasive cleaning pad.



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