

# PREPARING YOUR HOME for a Photo-shoot

Remember that a 360 interactive virtual tour will be like an open house 24/7, so a little time spent preparing now will certainly pay off in the end.

**THE PHOTO-SHOOT WILL TAKE  
APPROXIMATELY 2 HOURS.**

## GENERAL

- If you have special features of your home that you would like photographed, please let your agent know.
- Check both indoors and out for clutter.  
*Make sure everything is neat and tidy.*
- Make sure all loose items throughout your home are put away.  
*This includes personal items like cell phones, iPods, shoes, books, brief cases, medications, jewelry, etc.*
- We normally do not photograph the garages, closets or laundry rooms unless it has special features and we have been notified to do so.
- **Have children's toys, playpens, highchairs and pet's crates, beds, toys and dishes put away in rooms that will not be shot like the laundry room or garage.**
- Leave venetian blinds down and turned slightly upwards.
- Have all interior lights on.
- Replace all broken or missing light bulbs.
- Any lights that are set to a timer, please remove the timer.
- Do not schedule other workers to be in the home at the same time.
- Make arrangements for pets to be out of the home for the duration of the photo shoot.
- Please have pillows properly placed.
- Please put away remotes.

## GARAGE + OUTDOORS

- Keep the pool and hot tub clear, clean and open, where possible, to show these great features.
- Remove all vehicles from driveways and do not park directly in front of the house.
- Move garbage cans out of sight.
- Remove all garden tools including hoses and sprinklers.
- Mow and rake yard, spruce up your garden, prior to shoot.
- Trim shrubbery and replace or remove dead plants if necessary.
- Outdoor furniture, yard and patio/porch should be neat and tidy.

## THE PHOTOGRAPHER WILL NOT MOVE FURNITURE, CLEAN OR DUST, PICK UP CLUTTER.

The photographers will have a limited time at each location as several tours are scheduled each day; therefore it is important that the home be in the condition you want it photographed in before the photographer arrives. *Failure to be ready on time may result in additional charges. Please be sure to be 100% show ready prior to our arrival.*

## LIVING AREAS

- Remove clutter and tidy up tables, furniture and shelves
- Turn ceiling fans and televisions off.
- Move excess furniture out of the room (pet crates, tray tables, etc.).  
*A clean, open, clutter free space is best.*
- Don't tuck things behind doors or under furniture.  
*The camera catches it every time!*
- Tuck trash cans and tissue boxes out of view in a closet or cupboard.

## KITCHEN + DINING

- Clear any clutter from the counters.  
*Move the basket of mail, meds, brown bananas, cooking tools (spatula, etc.), toaster, and toaster ovens. (Can be placed in oven).*
- Make sure dishes are put away.  
*Don't leave them in the sink or on the drain board.  
Any wipe clothes, soaps, etc. off the sink area.*
- Empty or put away the garbage can.
- Please remove all items that can be removed off of Fridge including on top and any magnets.
- Remove photos, notes and papers from the refrigerator.
- Remove any hand towels on oven or cabinets.  
*Any dish racks need to be removed.*
- If possible, a table setting or centerpiece is appropriate.  
*Flowers and plants are fine, but not too many as that can clutter the shot.*

## BATHROOMS

- Close the toilet lid and empty the garbage can.
- Clean the mirror and glass surfaces.  
*The camera flash can really highlight those smudges and watermarks.*
- Hang towels neatly from the towel rack.  
*Remove clothing from hooks or the back of the door.*
- Please remove all toiletry items from sink like toothbrushes, toothpaste, razors, etc.
- Please pick up any wipe off rugs or toilet bibs  
*(unless to cover floor impairment).*
- For sunken tubs, showers, whirlpool tubs, etc., please remove shampoos, soaps, etc. *(Closets are a good place to put items to be removed.)*

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