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Move-In Cleaning Checklist

A room-by-room task list for an empty house, condo or apartment.

Address: _____ Cleaning date: _____

Use this for DIY planning or to agree your professional scope. Appliance interiors, cabinets, windows and specialist work must be confirmed in your booking.

Before you start

- ☐ Photograph existing marks or damage before cleaning.
- ☐ Confirm keys, water, power, lighting and access.
- ☐ Check surface-care instructions and gather supplies.
- ☐ Keep clean rooms clear of moving boxes.

Kitchen

- ☐ Wipe empty pantry shelves, cupboards and drawers.
- ☐ Clean counters, backsplash, sink and taps.
- ☐ Wipe stovetop and appliance exteriors.
- ☐ If planned, clean fridge, oven and microwave interiors.
- ☐ Follow the appliance manual for filters and cycles.
- ☐ Finish with accessible floor edges and the floor.

Bathrooms

- ☐ Clean basin, taps, counters and mirrors.
- ☐ Clean toilet, including accessible base and hinges.
- ☐ Wash tub, shower and compatible glass surfaces.
- ☐ Wipe empty vanity shelves and drawers.
- ☐ Clean handles, switches and the floor last.

Bedrooms and closets

- ☐ Remove dust from accessible high surfaces and trim.
- ☐ Wipe closet shelves, rods and empty storage.
- ☐ Clean reachable handles and switch covers.
- ☐ Wipe baseboards and accessible door frames.
- ☐ Vacuum carpets or clean hard floors by care guidance.

Living areas, entry and laundry

- ☐ Clean built-in shelving and accessible ledges.
- ☐ Wipe handrails, handles and entry storage.
- ☐ Clean accessible sills; confirm glass and tracks.
- ☐ Wipe washer and dryer exteriors and door seals.
- ☐ Follow the manual for any appliance cleaning cycle.
- ☐ Finish floors after the rest of the room.

Before unpacking

- ☐ Let shelves and floors dry before filling them.
- ☐ Check the areas that furniture will soon cover.
- ☐ Keep one clear route for movers and deliveries.
- ☐ Plan a light entry-floor clean after the move.

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Plan the timing, agree the extras and handle a same-day move.

1 Plan the gap between keys and boxes

Before possession	Confirm permitted access, cleaner availability and building access rules.
After receiving keys	Take condition photos and identify the work each room needs.
Before unloading	Clean storage and appliances before filling them; let floors dry.
After movers finish	Clear packaging and touch up entry floors and affected surfaces.

2 If cleaning and moving share the same day

Prioritize one bathroom, food-storage surfaces, cupboards needed immediately and the first sleeping area. Keep boxes in one agreed zone. Clean areas furniture will cover before those items are placed. Tell the cleaner about the overlap before booking.

3 Confirm these items in the professional quote

- ☐ Bedrooms, bathrooms, affected area and current condition.
- ☐ Fridge, oven, cabinet and drawer interiors, if wanted.
- ☐ Interior glass, tracks, blinds, basement and extra rooms.
- ☐ Parking, elevator access, arrival window and key contact.
- ☐ Total price, tax, selected extras and scope-change process.

4 Separate cleaning from specialist work

Flag construction dust, mould, pests, water damage or damaged finishes before booking. Internal ducts, dryer-vent servicing, heavy appliance moving, repairs and waste hauling need separate arrangements.

Use products suited to the surface. Follow labels and appliance manuals; do not mix products. Test a hidden area before treating a finish.

Outstanding tasks / confirmed extras: