

# HOME STAGING CHECKLIST

- ☒ **Remove all clutter from the house.**
  - Are countertops free and clear?
  - Have you removed unnecessary furniture throughout the house?
  - Remove the art gallery and coupon collection from the refrigerator.
- ☒ **Check the bathrooms.**
  - Are the surfaces clean and clear?
  - Are shower curtains and doors hung properly?
  - Is the flooring clean and fresh?
  - Are towels neatly hung?
- ☒ **Check the walls.**
  - Is paint and wallpaper fresh and clean?
  - Are the walls free from holes?
  - Are there any colors or objects on the walls that need to be removed?
- ☒ **Check the floors.**
  - Is the carpet clean and free from stains?
  - Are hard surface floors clean and free from stains?
- ☒ **Check windows and window coverings.**
  - Are all the windows clean?
  - Are draperies and blinds clean?
- ☒ **Pet check.**
  - Are there any signs that this is a pet's home? Be sure to clean and remove kitty litter, pet toys and bedding.
  - Obviously, never leave the pets at home during a showing.
- ☒ **How's the aroma?**
  - Try to air out the home prior to showings.
  - If air freshener is necessary, use well before showings as a consideration to those with allergies.
  - Turn all ceiling fans on low.
- ☒ **Set the mood prior to showings.**
  - Open draperies and blinds.
  - Turn lights on that help show individual rooms.
  - Turn on the radio to a classical music station, set the volume on low.
  - If you have time, cook a batch of cookies to have the warm, welcoming aroma permeating the home. A vanilla scented candle works well too.

## **Curb Appeal Checklist**

- **Inspect the outside ground.**
  - Remove any building materials, scrap wood, discarded household items, etc. from the property. Store garbage cans in the garage.
- **Check the home from the roof line down.**
  - Is the roof free and clear from obstructions and moss?
  - Are the gutters clear and neatly hung?
  - Are the windows clean and free from obstructions (such as overgrown bushes or trees)?
  - Are bushes, trees and shrubs neatly pruned?
- **Inspect the condition of the paint or siding?**
  - Is it time to power wash the siding?
  - Is touch up paint needed?
  - Is the front door in good shape?
- **Do flower beds need an upgrade?**
  - Are plants neatly pruned?
  - Is the bed free and clear of weeds?
  - Is the bed properly mulched?
  - Are flowers in bloom?
- **Keep the lawn neatly groomed.**
  - Is the lawn free from weeds?
  - Is the lawn free from grass clippings?
  - Is the lawn neatly edged?

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