

# Move Out Cleaning Checklist

(For reference purposes only)

- You are required to return the home empty and in clean condition. ***Cleaning issues will NOT be considered to be normal wear and tear, under any circumstances whatsoever!***
- If the home is not satisfactorily cleaned, has trash or abandoned items, appropriate charges will be deducted from your Security Deposit. If it is necessary for Access Realty to hire someone to clean the home after you vacate, charges will be deducted accordingly from your cleaning deposit.
- As required by your rental agreement, you will be responsible for the cost of a ***mandatory carpet cleaning***, which will be performed after you move out by a carpet cleaner of the Landlord's choosing. You may choose to have it done yourself, however, you will need to provide a receipt showing the carpet was ***professionally*** cleaned. ***Renting a cleaner or using your personal carpet cleaner is not sufficient.***

## General:

- Walls should be washed or marks should be removed including streaks/scuffs etc.
- Holes in walls should be filled with spackle and the wall wiped clean of excess spackle.
- If there are any large holes, the holes will need to be patched and painted over with matching paint.
- Remove all cobwebs from walls and ceilings.
- Wall and ceiling vents should be washed down and/ or vacuumed, and a ***new air filter inserted***. (During move out walk through we will be checking)
- Clean switch plates or replace any broken switch plates.
- Floors in kitchen and bath or any linoleum should be cleaned.
- Fireplace(s) should be cleaned of all debris, including ashes.
- Blinds/ window sills need to be wiped down.
- Light bulbs that are out need to be replaced with new ones.
- Light covers should be removed from fixtures and cleaned.
- EVERYTHING must be removed from closets (including coat hangers) and shelves need to be wiped down.
- Wipe down all doors, frames and baseboards.
- Wipe down/ clean all windows inside and out.
- Clean ceiling fan blades.
- Replace any dead smoke detector batteries.
- ***For Laundry room:*** please wipe down appliances, shelving, and cabinets, remove lint from lint trap. (if applies)

## **Kitchen:**

- Range should be completely cleaned, including broiler pans.
- Clean stovetop, panel, and dials.
- Drip pans should be removed and the underneath surface cleaned.
- Drip pans need to be replaced if they do not appear new after cleaning as they are only about \$14 for 4 of them brand new.
- Clean under and behind the stove. ( During the move-out walkthrough we will be checking)
- Clean under and behind fridge. ( During the move-out walkthrough we will be checking)
- Exhaust fans and overhead light should be free from grease and dirt.
- Cabinets and drawers cleaned out and fronts wiped down, including pantry shelves.
- Clean inside refrigerator, inside and under fridge shelves and drawers.
- Clean countertop surfaces, clean sink faucet and fixtures.

## **Bathrooms:**

- Vanity and medicine cabinet should be cleaned, including shelves and mirrors.
- Tub shower sink and toilet should be cleaned and sanitized.
- Shower glass door if applicable, should be cleaned so all of the soap scum is removed.
- Clean tub/ shower walls & fixtures.
- If shower rod(s) were present when you moved in please make sure you do not take them with you when you vacate.
- Clean soap dishes & wipe down towel bars. If towel bars and/or toilet paper holders are loose please tighten them.
- Wipe down counter tops, Clean out and wipe out all drawers and cabinets.

## **Living Room/ Bedrooms:**

- (Follow GENERAL GUIDELINES)

## **Yard Area:**

- Make sure all weeds are pulled around property, also in front of fence line near mailbox. (If we have to pay a landscaper to pull the weeds this will come out of your deposit)
- Clean all animal feces, any trash or debris, children/ animal toys etc.

## **Garage:**

- All trash/ personal items need to be removed from garage/storage units.
- Try to clean any heavy oil stains from floor using an appropriate cleaner.
- Sweep floor.
- Replace garage remote batteries and **PLACE GARAGE REMOTE IN KITCHEN DRAWER!**