



Preparing For Your Home Inspection

- 🏠 Divert all water away from the house (i.e. downspouts, sump pumps, etc.)
- 🏠 Trim trees/foliage back from the foundation, roof, siding, chimney and outdoor AC unit
- 🏠 Chimney/Fireplace/Woodstove need to be cleaned if it has not within the past 6 months
- 🏠 Replace the current furnace filter with a new one and throw the old filter away
- 🏠 Wipe the water heater and furnace so there is no dirt/dust on top or around them
- 🏠 Remove everything from under ALL sinks (i.e. Kitchen, bathrooms, utility sinks, etc.)
- 🏠 Thoroughly wipe beneath sinks and wipe the piping beneath sinks
- 🏠 Remove ALL dryer lint from the lint catcher inside the dryer
- 🏠 Ensure that the exterior and interior of the dryer is cleared of all loose lint debris
- 🏠 Ensure that the dryer vent on the exterior of the house is cleared of all loose lint debris
- 🏠 Ensure that there is clear and debris-free access to the electrical panel box, washer/dryer, furnace, water heater, etc.
- 🏠 Correct any leaks from shower heads, diverters and sinks ensuring proper working order
- 🏠 Check that all toilets are secured to the floor, flush properly and all seats are tight
- 🏠 Wipe all air vents and returns of any dust/debris
- 🏠 Make sure that all light bulbs are in working order
- 🏠 Test all smoke detectors for proper operation
- 🏠 Empty and clean all appliances (i.e. wipe microwave, clean oven, etc.)
- 🏠 Ensure all windows and doors open, close and lock as intended
- 🏠 Clear access to the attic and/or crawlspace

Many of these items may be taken care of with little or no cost.
Some of these items will indicate to the home inspector and buyer, that the house has been maintained.

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