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# Property Preparation Checklist

**This checklist keeps things simple so your photoshoot goes smoothly and your space looks its best. When the home is ready before we arrive, we can jump right in and capture clean, beautiful images that really shine.**

**You're more than welcome to stay during the session — in fact, it can be helpful if we need quick access to certain rooms or want to make sure we capture your favorite features. We just ask that you give us a little space to work so we can move efficiently and get all the best angles.**

**Most sessions take about 1–2 hours, depending on what you booked. You'll find your estimated timing in your appointment email or portal.**

**If there's any last-minute clutter, feel free to tuck it into a closet, storage area, or the garage. A little prep goes a long way in helping us deliver great results fast.**

## General Preparation

- ☐ Have the property 100% photo-ready before the photographer arrives.
- ☐ Reschedule 24+ hours in advance to avoid cancellation fees.
- ☐ Photographers cannot move furniture, clean, or wait for staging to finish.

**Outdoor Preparation:**

- ☐ Remove all real estate signs from the yard and windows.
- ☐ Mow the lawn, trim shrubs, and tidy gardens.
- ☐ Clean and open outdoor umbrellas (remove if faded).
- ☐ Clean and uncover pools, hot tubs, fountains, and water features.
- ☐ Turn ON all water features.Remove pool vacuums, hoses, and cleaning tools.
- ☐ Sweep driveways and walkways (finish wet cleaning 6 hours prior).
- ☐ Move vehicles out of the driveway and park 1–2 houses away.
- ☐ Keep a leaf blower or broom available if possible.

**Windows & Lighting:**

- ☐ Clean all windows inside and out.
- ☐ Open curtains fully; set blinds to a 45° angle.
  Turn OFF ceiling fans, TVs, and computer screens.
- ☐ Turn ON all interior and exterior lights — lamps, under-cabinet lights, hallways, closets, etc.
- ☐ Ensure all bulbs match in color and brightness.

## Personal Item Removal

- ☐ Remove family photos, paperwork, fridge items, and anything personal.
- ☐ Hide all pet items: bowls, beds, crates, toys, etc.
- ☐ Interior Living Areas
- ☐ Declutter all rooms; hide cords, remotes, and chargers.
- ☐ Straighten pillows, throws, and lampshades.
- ☐ Remove small items from tables and surfaces.

## Kitchen & Dining

- ☐ Clear countertops; remove soaps, towels, paper towels, and small appliances.
- ☐ Empty and clean the sink; put away all dishes.
- ☐ Remove all items and magnets from the refrigerator.
- ☐ Hide trash cans in a closet or garage.

## Bathrooms

- ☐ Clear counters and showers of all products.
- ☐ Clean mirrors and glass doors.
- ☐ Close toilet lids; neatly fold or hang towels.

## Closets & Storage

- ☐ Keep walk-in closets tidy; they may be photographed.
- ☐ Use secondary closets to hide clutter from other rooms.