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BEFORE A SHOOT

Before any photography job, your property has to be de-cluttered. Please follow these steps in order to have a successful appointment; **properties are shot as is.**

General:

- Make sure all light bulbs are in working condition, as lighting is very important in photographs. Make sure that all interior and exterior lights are on.
- Turn off all ceiling fans.
- All blinds, curtains and/or shades should be open.
- Remove excess cables, toys, novelty objects, private documents and any other items that are deemed nonessential to the showcasing of the home.

Living/Family Room and/or Office:

- Newspapers and magazines should be removed. Books should be put away; bookcase(s) should be organized.
- Any exposed cables/wiring should be concealed if possible.
- Personal photos and toys should be removed. Make sure that any bookshelves, tables and floor are free of any clutter.
- Clean all glass surfaces, this includes, but is not limited to: tables, mirrors, portraits, cabinet doors and windows.
- Vacuum and remove dust.

Dining Room:

- Any cabinets with visible plates or items should be straightened and cleaned.
- As a personal preference you may choose to set the table with dinnerware, napkins and a centerpiece.
- Vacuum and remove dust.

Kitchen:

- Trash can(s) should be out of sight.
- Small appliances, knife blocks and any kitchen gadgets should be out of sight.
- Magnets, notes and any papers should be removed from the refrigerator.

- Make sure all major appliances and counter tops are clean.
- Sink should be free of clean or dirty dishes and sponges or dish towels.

Bedrooms:

- Straighten bedspread and pillows. Bed should look neat.
- Clean all glass surfaces, this includes, but is not limited to: tables, mirrors, portraits, cabinet doors and windows.
- Remove personal photos, books, magazines, clocks, radios and any other nonessential items from the bedside table and/or bureau.
- Make sure all clothes and shoes are put away.
- Children's bedroom should be free of excess toys, posters and drawings.
- Vacuum and remove dust.

Bathrooms:

- Clean counter tops and any glass/mirror surfaces.
- Counter tops should be free of toiletries, tissues, hair products and any nonessential items.
- Showers and tubs should be free of personal products, children toys and shower caddies.
- Trash bin should be clean.
- Toilets should be clean and lids closed.

Exterior/Patio:

- Do not park directly in front of the house or driveway.
- Make sure garbage can(s) and recycling bin(s) are out of sight.
- Cars, boats, RV's, motorcycles or others should be removed from the driveway.
- Pick up garden hose and tools.
- Grass should be mowed. Excess leaves and dead vegetation should be removed.
- Driveway, sidewalk, patio, and deck should be swept.

Swimming Pools and/or Spas:

- Make sure it is uncovered and the safety fence has been removed.
- Should be clean and free of floating debris.
- Remove floating chlorine dispenser and any pool toys/tools.
- Turn on outside lights, pool lights, spa bubbles and any waterfalls.

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