

PREPARING PROPERTIES FOR PHOTOGRAPHY

Let your home shine! Here's how to get ready for your professional photography session:

HOME PREPARATION FOR ALL ROOMS

- Deep clean: vacuum carpet, mop hard floors, clean floor boards and vents
- Dust furniture and art
- Replace all burned out light bulbs. If possible, use bulbs of the same temperature such as all incandescent or all compact fluorescent.
- Remove personal photographs and replace with general landscape/object photographs
- Declutter or clear surfaces
- Remove personal items
- Look for ugly wires. Hide or tidy them

ROOM BY ROOM PREPARATION

FRONT AND BACK EXTERIOR

- Remove yard ornaments, unused planters, garbage bins, hoses and clutter like toys and yard tools
- Close garage doors
- Remove cars in street
- Tidy landscaping
- Freshen outdoor furniture

DINING ROOM

- Polish furniture
- Stage place settings or have a small floral piece in the middle on table
- Straighten chairs and remove high chairs and boosters

BEDROOMS

- Make beds and clean under them
- Declutter shelves, tops of dressers, and remove personal items
- Remove personal art, vinyl stickers, and posters
- Store as many books and toys out of sight

KITCHEN

- Remove small appliances and items such mail and knife blocks.
- Leave no more than one appliance out like a coffee pot
- Remove dishes from the sink, and clean sink and counters

FAMILY AND LIVING ROOMS

- Remove stacks of papers, magazines, books, and toys
- Declutter surfaces, shelves, and mantel
- Clean interior of fireplace, exterior glass

BATHROOMS

- Clear counters completely
- Close closet doors and put the toilet seats down
- Freshly folded and hung towels
- Remove rugs and tub mats

HOME OFFICE

Organize and declutter desk

DAY OF PREPARATION

- Turn all overhead lights and lamps ON
- Turn all ceiling fans OFF
- Turn all TVs and computers OFF
- Open blinds/window treatments to let in outside light
- Remove small floor rugs to reveal actual flooring
- Place all shoe and jackets in closets
- Final sweep and mop
- Wipe down kitchen and bathroom counters

YOU CAN PLAN ON YOUR THE HOME TAKING 30-60 MINUTES TO PHOTOGRAPH.

PLEASE HAVE YOUR HOME PHOTO-READY PRIOR TO THE PHOTOGRAPHER'S ARRIVAL, THANK YOU.