

# PODS HOME STAGING CHECKLIST



Staging your home is an important step in the selling process and can have a significant impact on how quickly your home sells. Here are some of our favorite home staging tips:

## GENERAL

- Reduce the number of family photos throughout your home.
- Use scented items to create an inviting atmosphere.
- Clean all windows inside and out and ensure they are functioning properly. During the winter months, cleaning the inside of the windows should be sufficient.
- Make sure that lightbulbs are working, replace with higher wattage bulbs to create more light if needed.
- Repair broken items in your house (doors, cracks, etc.). In most cases buyers will ask for broken items to be repaired.
- Rearrange furniture or spread furniture throughout your home to create more space and an open area.
- Vacuum all carpet and hardwood floors.
- Scrub and clean tile and grout throughout your house.
- Empty the garbage daily to reduce odors.
- Repair holes in walls.

## INSIDE HOME

### Bathrooms

- Clean all surfaces. Put toiletries in drawers or cabinets.
- Leave out a bottle of hand soap or a clean bar of soap, along with a hand towel.
- Neatly fold towels on display daily. Purchase new towels if needed.
- Clear all items out of shower stalls and tubs except for necessities.
- Keep toilet lids closed.
- Keep garbage can and cleaning supplies out of sight.
- Clean the shower curtain or replace if needed.
- Repair any cracking or peeling on walls and clean any moldy areas. Paint if needed.
- Caulk your shower and tub around the edges to make them look neat and clean.



### Bedrooms

- Make beds daily.
- Clear off nightstands, dressers, etc.
- Pick up clothes off the floor.
- Store extra books, magazines, and other miscellaneous items underneath the bed.
- Keep closet doors closed. If you have a walk-in closet, keep the floor clean and free of laundry and clutter.

### Closets

- Make sure the doors open easily. Fix any creaking sounds.
- Arrange items to create a tidier closet.

## INSIDE HOME CONTINUED

### Den, Family Room, Living Room, Sun Room

- Clear off all coffee tables and end tables.
- Remove ashtrays.
- Move pet food bowls out of sight.

### Dining Room

- Clear off the dining table. Leave a centerpiece or other decorative item.
- Remove additional leaves from tables to make the room look bigger.

### Kitchen

- Clear all unnecessary objects from the kitchen countertops.
- Remove all pictures, magnets, drawings, messages, etc. from the refrigerator.
- Repair broken tile or loose corners on counters.
- Clean the stovetop and oven. Replace burner pans if they are badly stained.
- Keep the kitchen sink clean and empty.
- Remove all soaps, sponges, and supplies out of sight under the sink.

### Laundry Room

- Keep counters and sink clean and empty.
- Put soaps, towels, etc. in cupboards.



## OUTSIDE HOME

- Remove all garbage cans, wood scraps, extra building materials, etc.
- Repair broken fences and paint if necessary.
- Stain or paint your front door. Fix any dings or dents.
- Touch up or repaint outside of house if needed.
- Check panels and replace any that are broken.
- Remove any dead plants and weed all planting areas.
- Keep your lawn freshly cut and edged.

- Prune bushes and trees.
- Sweep all walkways and patios or decks.
- Decks should be cleaned, stained, or painted if needed.
- Check gutters and roof for dry rot and moss. Be sure to clean the gutters on a regular basis.
- Sweep out and organize the garage. Keep storage areas in garage neat.
- Arrange tools neatly and store them in tool chests or containers if possible.



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