



# Inspection / Photo Ready Checklist

## Preparation

### Inside

- Clean out and de-clutter – The less stuff in your home the bigger and cleaner it will appear.
- Clean Kitchens and benches, Storage and appliances inside & out.
- Put away personal items including family photos.
- Clean bathrooms.
- Clean light fittings, check and if needed replace light bulbs.
- Clean walls, skirting's, light switches, furniture, remove cobwebs, hand prints and dust etc.
- Clean windows and wash window furnishings.
- Clean mirrors.
- Clean carpets and polish timber floors.
- Turn on lights and all lamps.
- Clear coffee / side tables of remotes and magazines.
- Remove dishes / drying racks and cleaning products
- Clean oven cook tops, ensure overhead cabinet light works and turn on.
- Clean shower screens & basins. Remove bath toys, personal items, bath mats, clothes hampers, scales and bin.

### Outside

- Mow the lawn.
- Trim overgrown shrubbery.
- Mulch Gardens.
- Pressure clean/sweep exterior of home, sheds, paths and driveways etc.
- Clean pools and equipment. Remove, outdoor settings, pets bedding / bowl.

### Remember

First impressions count, buyers are not just buying your home but also your location;

- If any neighbouring properties have over grown lawn, consider offering to mow it yourself or contact council with the address of the property and they will have it mowed.
- Are street signs clear, visible and in good order?
- Do you have unwanted pests such as mosquitoes or barking dog next door? Consider talking to your neighbours or contacting council.
- Check your home for any safety hazards and rectify them.

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## Inspection / Photo Ready Checklist

### Day of Inspection / Open Home or Photo shoot

- Quick clean, ensure kitchen bathrooms and floors are spotless.
- Secure valuables including technical devices, prescription drugs, weapons, bills, keys, jewellery etc.
- Climate control – Open windows / turn on air conditioning / light fire depending on weather.
- Empty bins.
- Remove pets and their personal belongings.
- Remove personal items from bathrooms.
- Make sure toilet seat is down.
- Make beds, clear bedside tables / dressers and clear under beds.
- Put toys away.
- Remove blankets and cleaning equipment from pool.
- Remove hanging tea towels in kitchen.
- Neatly arrange new towels in bathroom.
- If you have built in media system turn in on.
- Fluff pillows and cushions.
- Open blinds and curtains.
- Turn on lights.
- Burn a scented candle or make some coffee.
- Hide dirty laundry – take it with you in the car if you have to.
- Display fresh flowers or fresh fruit in the kitchen.
- Remove cars, trailers, boats and caravans from lawn, driveways and nature strip.

### Remember

The camera will pick up anything out of place or a different colour, making it important to remove shampoo bottles from shower, tea towels and magnets from fridges.