



Home Spring Cleaning Guide

FOYER/HOME ENTRANCE

- Dust and clean light fixtures
- Wash walls and the trim with a sponge and hot water
- Wash the doors, door knobs and light switches
- Dust and wash any furniture
- Clean out the closet: store out-of-season items and donate what you don't need
- Clean or replace the entry mat
- Sweep/Mop/Vacuum floors

LIVING ROOM/HOME OFFICE

- Open the windows – let some fresh air in!
- Vacuum the sofa, love seat, and armchairs
- Launder any throw pillows, blankets, etc.
- Dust all surfaces, artwork, and decorations
- Dust and clean light fixtures & ceiling fan
- Carefully dust and clean electronics
- Sort through closets, cabinets, DVD/CD collections, book shelves, magazine racks: sort, donate, recycle, and/or store!
- Sweep/vacuum floors
- Replace batteries in remotes
- Spring clean your computer:
 - Use canned compressed air to clean out your keyboard and modem
 - Wipe down monitor
 - Delete any old files, pictures, etc.
 - Make any necessary updates
 - Clean out browser cache and history
 - Install any necessary spyware

BEDROOMS

- Open the windows – let some fresh air in!
- Wash bedding: sheets, pillowcases, mattress pads, bed skirts, and comforters
- Wash pillows and/or replace old ones



- Rotate and flip mattress if desired/applicable
- Sort through closets and drawers: store out-of-season items & donate what you don't need
- Dust and clean all surfaces.
- Clean out items from under the bed: what needs stored, organized into drawers, and donated?
- Sweep/vacuum the floor

BATHROOMS

- Open the windows – let some fresh air in!
- Scrub down the shower & rinse out
- Empty out cabinets, wipe clean, sort through items, and replace
- Clean in and around the toilet
- Clean countertops & sink
- Sweep and mop the floor and baseboards
- Launder any dirty towels, hand towels, and/or rugs, toilet seat covers, etc.
- Do your toothbrushes need replacing?

KITCHEN

- Open the windows – let some fresh air in!
- Empty out your refrigerator and freezer. Clean the inside of your refrigerator, sort through food and throw out anything outdated.
- Clean the oven and stovetop: remember to remove burners and knobs!
- Empty out your drawers and cabinets. Clean the insides, sort through food and throw out anything outdated.
- Go through your spice rack and throw out anything old
- Clean the top of your fridge & behind, if possible
- Clean out the food trap of your dishwasher. Run a cycle of hot water with one cup of bleach or vinegar to disinfect
- Clean countertops & sink
- Sweep and mop the floor and baseboards

DINING ROOM

- Open the windows – let some fresh air in!
- Empty out your cabinets. Clean the insides, sort and clean any necessary items.
- Dust and clean any artwork, light fixtures, ceiling fans, etc.
- Remove all chairs from the table and clean chairs appropriately



- Clean tabletop taking care to remember any decorations, placemats, linens, dinnerware, etc.
- Sweep the room and replace chairs

LAUNDRY ROOM

- Open the windows – let some fresh air in!
- Clean behind the washer and dryer
- Clean out lint traps
- Organize and throw out any old or broken hangers
- Empty out, clean, and organize cabinets
- Wipe down and clean outer surfaces of washer and dryer
- Washer: Run a cycle of hot water with 1 gallon of white vinegar or 1 cup of bleach to clean and disinfect
- Vacuum or wipe down the inside of your dryer. Check the outside vent for debris or lint that could be blocking the vent.

STAIRWELLS

- Sweep and vacuum stairs
- Spot clean the walls with a sponge and hot water
- Wipe down the handrail and disinfect
- Dust any art & light fixtures
- Check posts and handrails for any needed repairs

OUTSIDE

- Sweep porches and the walkway
- Wash exterior doors. Give front door a fresh coat of paint, if necessary.
- Clean or replace welcome mat
- Power wash the siding
- Remove and replace any dead potted plants
- Pull weeds from flower beds



DON'T FORGET TO:

- ❑ Clean the blades of your ceiling fans.
- ❑ Replace light bulbs throughout the house
- ❑ Test smoke/carbon monoxide detectors and replace batteries when necessary
- ❑ Clean vents
- ❑ Check the expiration date of your fire extinguisher
- ❑ Dust and clean draperies & curtains
- ❑ Wash or beat out rugs
- ❑ Change the air filter
- ❑ Sort through and organize family photos
- ❑ Sort and clean any extra zones such as linen closets, utility closets, office spaces, playrooms, mudrooms, etc
- ❑ Clean out medicine cabinets. Safely discard any old prescriptions!
- ❑ Deep clean carpets and polish wood floors
- ❑ Wash the walls & touch up paint, if necessary