

Staging Your Home Checklist

- Remove all clutter from the house.
 - Are countertops free and clear?
 - Have you removed unnecessary furniture throughout the house?
 - Remove the art gallery and coupon collection from the refrigerator.
- Check the bathrooms.
 - Are the surfaces clean and clear?
 - Are shower curtains and doors hung properly?
 - Is the flooring clean and fresh?
 - Are towels neatly hung?
- Check the walls.
 - Is paint and wallpaper fresh and clean?
 - Are the walls free from holes?
 - Are there any colors or objects on the walls that need to be removed?
- Check the floors.
 - Is the carpet clean and free from stains?
 - Are hard surface floors clean and free from stains?
- Check windows and window coverings.
 - Are all the windows clean?
 - Are draperies and blinds clean?
- Pet check.
 - Are there any signs that this is a pet's home? Be sure to clean and remove kitty litter, pet toys and bedding.
- How's the aroma?
 - Try to air out the home prior to showings.
 - If air freshener is necessary, use well before showings as a consideration to those with allergies.
- Set the mood prior to showings.
 - Open draperies and blinds.
 - Turn on the radio to a classical music station, set the volume on low.

- If you have time, cook a batch of cookies to have the warm, welcoming aroma permeating the home. Refrigerated cookie dough is easy, and makes the whole house smell like home!