

Final walkthrough checklist

Follow up on what's in your final contract.

- □ Confirm that **agreed-upon work and repairs** have been completed, and that you have receipts and warranties.
- Make sure that everything the seller agreed to leave ("inclusions" in your contract) is there. These might include appliances, fixtures, or even furniture and artwork. Also make sure nothing's been left behind that shouldn't be, like that life-size pink flamingo sculpture in the front yard (unless that's your thing; we support you!).

Visit every room in the home.

- □ Flip all **light switches**, including those for outside entrances.
- □ Test all **electrical outlets** using that handy phone charger.
- Open windows and make sure they lock. Confirm that there are no broken windowpanes or missing screens.
- □ Check all **closets** to be sure hanging bars, shelves, and drawers are intact.
- □ Make sure all **appliances** are clean, odor free, and in working order.
- □ Turn on **faucets** to look for leaks and make sure water drains properly, and to be sure hot water is flowing.
- □ Flush the **toilet(s)** and check **sink and shower fixtures** to look for leaks.
- □ Make sure the **washer and dryer** are functional and that the dryer turns off automatically.
- □ Look for **standing water** that would indicate a leak under the washer, dishwasher, and refrigerator.
- □ Turn on the **heater(s)** and, if applicable, central air conditioning.

Tour the exterior of the property.

- □ Make sure **doors** open smoothly, latch, and lock (even though you'll likely change the locks or have them re-keyed).
- □ Press the **doorbell**, if there is one.
- □ Make sure you know the location of the water main and gas main **shut-off valves**, if applicable.
- □ If there were decorative plants on the property when you first saw it, confirm that they haven't been removed.
- □ Check **outside faucets** and irrigation systems.

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