

# Move-Out Cleaning Checklist

Room-by-room tasks to maximize your deposit refund.

Use this checklist 3-5 days before you move. If you hire cleaners, walk through the unit and re-check everything before inspection.

## General standards (before inspection)

- [ ] Remove all personal items and rubbish from the unit and balcony.
- [ ] Sweep, mop, and dry floors; remove stains.
- [ ] Wipe all surfaces: shelves, skirting boards, doors, handles, light switches.
- [ ] Clean windows inside (and outside where accessible).
- [ ] Patch small nail holes where appropriate (ask landlord first).
- [ ] Replace blown bulbs if provided at move-in (if agreed).

## Kitchen (deep clean)

- [ ] Degrease cooker/oven, hob plates, and control knobs.
- [ ] Clean extractor hood and filters.
- [ ] Clean inside/outside of cabinets and drawers.
- [ ] Scrub sink; remove limescale; polish taps.
- [ ] Wipe backsplash/tiles and grout lines.
- [ ] Defrost and clean fridge (if included).
- [ ] Empty and sanitize trash bin area.

## Bathroom / Toilet

- [ ] Descale shower head and taps; remove soap scum.
- [ ] Scrub tiles and grout; treat mold (if any).
- [ ] Clean toilet bowl, seat, cistern exterior; flush test.
- [ ] Clean mirror and any cabinets.
- [ ] Unclog drains; remove hair/debris.
- [ ] Empty and clean floor drain traps if present.

## Bedrooms / Living Room

- [ ] Dust and wipe wardrobes and shelves (inside/outside).
- [ ] Vacuum/mop under furniture if any remains.
- [ ] Clean curtains/blinds as per lease (spot clean or wash).

- [ ] Wipe windows, rails, and mosquito nets.
- [ ] Remove adhesive hooks/tape residue carefully.

## Balcony / Outdoor / Yard

- [ ] Sweep and wash balcony floor; remove algae.
- [ ] Clean railing; check for loose items.
- [ ] Dispose of any bulky items properly (follow building rules).

## Handover & deposit protection

- [ ] Take dated photos/videos after cleaning (same angles as move-in).
- [ ] Attend the final inspection and agree on any issues in writing.
- [ ] Return keys/remotes/cards and get a receipt/acknowledgment.
- [ ] Request an itemized list of any proposed deposit deductions.