

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.