# **Easy Home Photography Checklist:**

Photography is a compelling tool used to attract buyers. Using this easy checklist will help you shorten the prep time in getting your house ready.

## **OUTSIDE:**

- 1. Make sure the front yard is cleaned up, the grass mowed, and the leaves removed, hedges trimmed.
- 2. No bicycles, toys, or trash cans out.
- 3. Make sure patio furniture is clean
- 4. Outdoor living areas Fire Pits, Outdoor Kitchen, BBQs are clean

# **INSIDE:**

- 1. Make sure all the bulbs are working properly (kitchen, bathroom, hallway and bedrooms)
- 2. Make sure windows are clean; bright light is good light
- 3. Pet toys, food bowls, storage crates stored temporarily
- 4. Cable, Dish TV, Game Console cables neatly arranged

#### **KITCHEN:**

- 1. **Clear** the island so the tour shows how spacious it is.
- 2. Small appliances make the counter space **disappear**. Please remove the toaster, coffee pot, knife block, can opener, hand mixers and utensil bins
- 3. Clear the **refrigerator!** Sports schedules and school lunch menus are things most people don't want perfect strangers to have access to.
- 4. Don't forget to temporarily conceal the kitchen garbage.
- 5. Empty the sink and put the soap under the sink.

#### **GENERAL:**

- 1. Items not included in the sale of the home should be out of view.
- 2. Open window blinds and drapes to reveal the **view** unless your real estate professional has advised you otherwise.
- 3. Window boxes are fine if they do not block the **view**.
- 4. High backed chairs should not be in front of windows if they block the view.
- 5. Turn inside lights on.
- 6. Toilet lids down.

- 7. Make the beds, clothes in the hamper.
- 8. Temporarily conceal garbage containers.

# **GENERAL CONTINUED:**

- 9. Open doors between rooms to give an open feeling and ensure all rooms are included in the tour.
- 10. Remove pet food bowls and toys, and conceal pets.
- 11. We can edit/smudge expensive artwork on the tour. Please tell us ahead of time.
- 12. Please remember to move furniture, etc. The property will be photographed **as is**. Ask your real estate professional which things, if moved, would improve the tour (and subsequent showings).
- 13. Remove rugs. **now** is the time to let that flooring **shine**:)
- 14. Conceal cords. They remind us how many things we keep plugged in 24/7.
- 15. Baskets of slip-on shoe covers: Out of sight where you'll remember them:)
- 16. For Sale / Open house signs should be out of view if possible

### **BATHROOMS:**

- 1. Shower/bath items should be placed under the sink for the tour.
- 2. Clear counters of electric toothbrushes, pill bottles, handsoap etc
- 3. Bathroom cleaning equipment temporarily stored
- 4. Shower glass clean
- 5. Curtains open and windowsills clean