



CHECK OUT GUIDENCE NOTES

Packing up home and preparing your rental property for 'hand back' can be a stressful time and its not surprising that we often don't always remember to attend to all of the little jobs required to ensure the property is handed back in an acceptable condition. Below is a guide of what is required, designed to be of assistance to you and to help ensure you receive your deposit back without deduction. Every property is different and there may well be further items to attend to, specific to your home.

Please do remember that professional cleaning, gardening and decoration services are always available through Affinity should you prefer to focus on your new home and leave someone else to take care of preparing your rental property.

PREPARING TO HAND BACK YOUR HOME

- ✓ Thoroughly clean & polish all surfaces
- ✓ De-grease and deep clean all appliances (*don't forget the washing machine powder tray*)
- ✓ Defrost freezer
- ✓ Vacuum all carpets
- ✓ Steam clean and deodorise carpets where necessary especially if you have had pets
- ✓ Mop all floors
- ✓ Empty bins and remove all rubbish from the grounds of the property
- ✓ Clean all windows
- ✓ Wash down all woodwork- skirting boards, doors, frames, sills, banisters etc
- ✓ De-scale all bathroom fitments and all taps
- ✓ Clean windows inside and out
- ✓ Replace any blown bulbs and clean any light shades
- ✓ Clean curtains/blinds
- ✓ Wash down any scuff marks on walls
- ✓ Remove all picture hooks and nails etc and make good the décor
- ✓ Wash shower curtains & mattress protectors
- ✓ Cut the grass & tidy shrubs and borders
- ✓ Clear out sheds, stores and garages
- ✓ Remove all personal belonging and food items from the property
- ✓ Ensure all items in the property are back in their correct place as per the inventory
- ✓ After your last rental payment is made – cancel your standing order with your bank
- ✓ Set up a post re-direction with royal mail