MOVE-OUT CLEANING 101

- Go room by room when cleaning a large unit. Check off each space is clean before moving on to the next.
- Many things are cheaper to replace yourself than paying for the landlord to fix. For example, stove top drip pans can be purchased at many grocery stores!
- Remove all nails and thumbtacks from the walls.
- Wipe down doors and doorframes. They can get dirty without you noticing!
- When filling in wall holes, check with your landlord if you can purchase your own filler, or if they'd prefer to do it themselves.
- Leave nothing behind. You can be charged for anything the landlord has to dispose of.
- Your lease may require you to hire professional cleaners or carpet cleaners. Be sure to check your lease to see if this is a requirement!

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GOOD LUCK, BABE!

Make a Plan

First-time renters often underestimate how difficult and how long moving out can take. Make a plan early for how you will move, what supplies you need, transport, etc.

Declutter

We oftentimes have way more stuff than we know! Take time in the weeks leading up to your move out to declutter and get rid of things you don't want to take with you.

Moving Essentials Bag

Once you're finally moved out, most of your things will still be packed up in boxes. Make yourself an essentials bag for your first night or two in your new place.

THE #1 MISTAKE FIRST TIME RENTERS MAKE...

What time do you need to be out?

Make sure you are checking your lease for the time you need to be out on move out day. It could be earlier than you think, and come with extra fines!

1 Schedule a Walkthrough

Some landlords will offer walkthroughs if you move out early. A walkthrough allows you and the landlord to assess damage together.

2 Photos & Videos

Before turning in your keys, be sure to take photos and videos of the state of the unit. This way you have your own evidence of how you returned the space to the landlord.

3 Moving Food

Have a cooler on hand to transport cold and frozen items.

4 Notify Utilities Early

Let your utility providers know early that you need to swap coverage to a new address, and when to stop/start service.

5 Keep Documents

Keep copies of your lease, move out form, and final payments in case you need them in the future.

TIPS TO MAKE SURE YOU'RE HOT TO GO!

GET THAT DEPOSIT BACK!

What is 'Damage'?

Damage to a space is a repair which will require the landlord to pay to fix before they are able to release. 'Normal wear and tear' is damage over time when a unit is occupied, and should not be taken from a deposit.

Colorado Law

Within the state of Colorado, a landlord has up to 30 days to return a security deposit (or 60 days if stipulated in the lease.) If your deposit takes longer than this, seek legal advice.

Disputing Charges

If you feel that more was taken from your deposit than should be or you want to dispute reported damages, reach out to your landlord for their dispute process.

Student Legal Services

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