Showing checklist

A printable list for preparing, hosting, and finishing a showing when you are selling a Michigan home on your own.

Property or notes

- [ ] Walk every room, plus the basement, garage, and yard.
- [ ] Turn on lights and open blinds.
- [ ] Clear walks, steps, and the driveway. Treat ice in winter if you can.
- [ ] Put away mail, prescriptions, jewelry, spare keys, and personal papers.
- [ ] Secure firearms and other items that should be locked up.
- [ ] Make a plan for pets.
- [ ] Set a comfortable temperature.
- [ ] Optional: leave a one-page info sheet (beds, baths, year built, what stays, how to reach you).
- [ ] Tell visitors where to park.
- [ ] Have a trusted person with you if you do not want to show alone.
- [ ] Meet visitors at the door. Consider a simple sign-in (name, date, and a way to reach them).

- [ ] Stay nearby for questions without hovering if that feels better.
- [ ] Keep your own keys, wallet, and phone with you.
- [ ] End the visit if something feels wrong.
- [ ] Afterward, lock doors and windows and check that nothing was left open.
- [ ] Write down questions you will follow up on.

For the longer explanations, see the showing checklist page.

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