NEW HOME CHECKLIST TEMPLATE



LOCATION	PREPARED BY	DATE

THINGS TO REMEMBER FOR FINAL WALKTHROUGH		
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO	
ALLOW SEVERAL DAYS BETWEEN INSPECTION AND CLOSING		
MAKE SURE ALL ISSUES ARE ADDRESSED AND FIXED		
DO NOT RUSH!		
GET IT IN WRITING		

HEATING & COOLING	
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO
RAISE AND LOWER THERMOSTAT TO ENSURE PROPER FUNCTION	
CHECK ALL VENTS / RADIATORS FOR PROPER FUNCTION	
ALLOW HEAT TO RUN AND SHUT OFF AUTOMATICALLY	
ALLOW A/C TO RUN AND SHUT OFF AUTOMATICALLY	
LOCATE COLD AIR RETURNS. CHECK FOR PROPER PLACEMENT	

ELECTRICAL	
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO
TURN ON AND OFF ALL SWITCHES AND FIXTURES	
PLUG A RADIO OR LAMP INTO EACH OUTLET	
TEST DOORBELL	
CHECK THAT HEAVY DUTY LINES EXIST WHERE NEEDED	

PLUMBING		
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO	
TURN ON AND OFF ALL FAUCETS		
ALLOW WATER TO RUN FOR SEVERAL MINUTES		
CHECK DRAINAGE IN EACH BASIN		
CHECK FOR LEAKS AND DRIPS		

CEILINGS, WALLS, AND FLOORS		
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO	
INSPECT ALL FINISHES FOR COLOR AND QUALITY		
INSPECT DRYWALL FOR SEEMS, NAILS, CRACKS, AND HOLES		
INSPECT MOLDINGS FOR QUALITY AND GAPS		
INSPECT ALL TILING FOR MISSING GROUT, CRACKS, AND CHIPS		
CHECK FOR SCUFFS AND SCRATCHES		
ENSURE CARPETING IS FREE OF RIPPLES AND TEARS		
LOOK AT ALL CEILINGS FOR SIGNS CRACKS OR MOISTURE		

DOORS	
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO
CHECK THAT ALL DOORS OPEN EASILY AND PROPERLY	
ENSURE LATCHES CATCH	
OPEN DOORS TO CHECK FOR PROPER STOPPER ALIGNMENT	
CHECK ALL DOOR LOCKS FOR FUNCTIONALITY	
CHECK FOR GAPS UNDER DOORS AT THRESHOLDS	

WINDOWS	
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO
INSPECT ALL GLASS FOR BREAKS AND CRACKS	
OPEN AND CLOSE ALL WINDOWS	
CHECK FOR AIR LEAKS BY HOLDING A MATCH OR LIGHTER	
CHECK THAT SCREENS ARE IN GOOD CONDITION	
CHECK HARDWARE, LOCKS AND HINGES	

KITCHEN		
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO	
INSPECT CABINETRY FIXTURES AND FINISHES		
INSPECT COUNTERTOPS FOR CRACKS AND SCRATCHES		
CHECK CABINETRY FOR STURDY SHELVING AND HINGES		
CHECK DRAWERS FOR SMOOTH OPENING AND CLOSING		
CHECK APPLIANCE FUNCTIONALITY AND PROPER HOOK-UPS		

BATH	
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO
ALLOW SHOWERS / TUB FIXTURES TO RUN	
CHECK FOR PROPER FLOW AND TEMPERATURE	
ALLOW WATER TO "PUDDLE" TO CHECK FOR PROPER DRAINAGE	
CHECK BASINS FOR CHIPS / CRACKS	
FLUSH TOILETS	
CHECK THAT TOILETS ARE PROPERLY SET FOR SAFETY AND LEAKS	
CHECK CABINETS, CLOSETS, AND FLOORS FOR MOISTURE	

EXTERIOR, PORCHES, AND DECKS		
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO	
CHECK SIDING / BRICK FOR CONDITION AND EVEN COVERAGE		
CHECK SIDING / BRICK FOR APPEARANCE		
CHECK GUTTERS, DOWNSPOUTS, AND DRAINAGE AREAS		
CHECK SIDEWALKS, PORCH AND PATIO FLOORS FOR CRACKS		
ENSURE STURDINESS OF ALL RAILINGS		
CHECK FOR LOOSE / EXPOSED NAILS AND SCREWS		
CHECK STURDINESS OF PORCHES AND DECKS		

ATTIC AND BASEMENT		
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO	
CHECK FOR MOISTURE / MOLD		
INSPECT WALLS, FLOORS, AND CEILINGS FOR WATER DAMAGE		
INSPECT ALL HVAC SYSTEMS		
CHECK VENTILATION SYSTEM ELEMENTS		
INSPECT FOR SIGNS OF INFESTATION		

GARAGE AND ADDITIONAL STRUCTURES		
TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO	
INSPECT DOORS		
ENSURE THAT ANY REMOTE DOOR OPENERS ARE AVAILABLE		
ASK ABOUT ANY LOCK CODES		
CHECK FLOORS FOR CRACKS AND PROPER DRAINAGE		

MISCELLANEOUS		
	TASK / ITEM	ADDITIONAL INFO

ADDITIONAL COMMENTS		