

Post Construction Cleaning Checklist

Built for construction or renovation closeout: dust, debris, labels, windows, fixtures, vents, cabinets, floors, bathrooms, punch-list notes, photos, and final walkthrough signoff.

FORMAT

Printable PDF checklist

CATEGORY

Cleaning

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Checklist

- ☐ 1. Confirm project area, access rules, safety restrictions, punch-list owner, debris removal status, utilities, and final walkthrough date
- ☐ 2. Divide the printable checklist into rough cleaning, light/detail cleaning, and final touch-up so tasks match the project phase
- ☐ 3. Remove construction dust, labels, stickers, tape, packaging, hardware scraps, trash, and remaining loose debris from each room
- ☐ 4. Clean windows, tracks, frames, glass doors, mirrors, interior glass, ledges, and visible paint or caulk residue
- ☐ 5. Dust walls, ceilings, vents, light fixtures, cabinets, shelves, counters, trim, baseboards, doors, handles, and built-ins
- ☐ 6. Clean floors by material, vacuum edges, mop hard surfaces, remove adhesive residue when appropriate, and protect finished surfaces
- ☐ 7. Clean bathrooms, kitchens, sinks, appliances, fixtures, tile, grout haze, cabinets, closets, and storage areas
- ☐ 8. Check HVAC vents, filters, registers, dust return, odor, paint touchups, scratches, missing covers, and maintenance issues
- ☐ 9. Add columns for room, surface/material, cleaner, issue photo, punch-list owner, and client walkthrough status
- ☐ 10. Create final punch-list notes with photos, rooms completed, contractor follow-up, client walk-through, and signoff

Planning note

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Tips

Clean in closeout phases

Post-construction cleaning usually moves from debris and rough dust to detail cleaning and final touch-up. Match the checklist to the phase so finished surfaces are not cleaned too early.

Protect finished materials

New floors, fixtures, counters, glass, cabinets, and paint can be damaged by the wrong product or tool. Add material notes, access restrictions, and contractor questions before cleaning.

Common questions

What should a post construction cleaning checklist include?

Include debris, dust, labels, windows, tracks, fixtures, vents, cabinets, bathrooms, kitchens, floors, residue, final photos, punch-list notes, and client walkthrough signoff.

What are the main phases of post construction cleaning?

Many jobs separate rough cleanup, detail cleaning, and final touch-up. The checklist should reflect site readiness, safety limits, finished surfaces, and final walkthrough expectations.

Use photos for punch-list clarity

Dust, residue, scratches, missing covers, and touch-up needs are easier to resolve when each room has photos, notes, owner, and final walkthrough status.

Can this replace construction safety rules?

No. Follow site access rules, contractor instructions, PPE requirements, product labels, OSHA or workplace safety requirements, and qualified professional guidance.

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