

Home inventory checklist

Room by room, for your home or renters insurance. Photograph each thing, note what it is and roughly what it cost, and tick it off.



For each thing, keep

- A photo of each thing, and of each room, closet and open drawer.
- What it is: the brand and model, and the serial number for electronics and appliances.
- Roughly when you got it and what you paid.
- What it would cost to replace today.
- Receipts or appraisals for valuable things.

Living room

- ☐ **TV and sound.** TV, sound bar, speakers and streaming boxes. Photograph the label with the model and serial number.
- ☐ **Furniture.** Sofa, chairs, tables and shelves.
- ☐ **Lamps, rugs and decor.** Curtains, mirrors, frames and art.
- ☐ **Books, games and music.** Count them roughly: "about 120 books". Game consoles and controllers too.

Kitchen

- ☐ **Big appliances.** Fridge, stove, dishwasher and microwave, with model and serial numbers, if they're yours and not the landlord's.
- ☐ **Small appliances.** Coffee maker, toaster, mixer, blender and air fryer.
- ☐ **Pots, pans and knives**
- ☐ **Dishes, glasses and silverware.** Count the sets: "12 dinner plates, 8 wine glasses".
- ☐ **Inside the cabinets and drawers.** Open each one and take a photo.

Dining room

- ☐ **Table, chairs and sideboard**
- ☐ **China, crystal and serving pieces.** Note the pattern or the maker if you know it.

Bedrooms

- ☐ **Beds and furniture.** Beds, mattresses, dressers and nightstands.
- ☐ **Clothes and shoes.** Photograph each closet open, and count roughly: "6 coats, 14 pairs of shoes". Note anything designer.
- ☐ **Bags and accessories.** Handbags, belts, sunglasses and hats.
- ☐ **Bedding and linens**
- ☐ **TVs and devices.** Laptops, tablets, game consoles and chargers.

Kids' rooms

- ☐ **Cribs, beds and furniture**
- ☐ **Toys, games and books.** A photo of each shelf or bin is enough for small things.
- ☐ **Strollers, car seats and gear**
- ☐ **Clothes and shoes**

Bathrooms

- ☐ **Hair tools and shavers.** Hair dryers, straighteners, electric shavers and toothbrushes.
- ☐ **Towels and bath mats**
- ☐ **In the cabinets.** Skin care, perfume and anything that cost a lot.

Home office

- ☐ **Computers and printers.** Laptops, desktops, monitors and printers, with serial numbers.
- ☐ **Cameras and gadgets.** Cameras and lenses, drones, headphones, speakers and smart home devices.
- ☐ **Desk, chair and shelves**

Laundry and utility

- ☐ **Washer and dryer.** With model and serial numbers.
- ☐ **Vacuums and cleaning tools.** Robot or stick vacuums, steam mops and irons.
- ☐ **Heaters, fans and dehumidifiers**

Garage and shed

- ☐ **Tools.** Power tools and hand tools. Photograph the toolboxes open.
- ☐ **Yard and garden.** Mower, trimmer, leaf blower, snow blower, hoses and garden tools.
- ☐ **Bikes, sports and camping gear**
- ☐ **Shelves, ladders and freezers**

Basement, attic and storage

- ☐ **Stored boxes and bins.** Open each one and note what's inside: they're easy to forget.
- ☐ **Holiday and seasonal things.** Decorations, fans, heaters and winter gear.
- ☐ **Luggage and keepsakes**
- ☐ **A storage unit.** If you rent one, list what's in it too.

Outside

- ☐ **Patio furniture and grill.** Outdoor heaters, umbrellas and lights too.
- ☐ **Play sets and pool gear**

Valuables

- ☐ **Jewelry and watches.** A close photo of each piece, with receipts or appraisals.
- ☐ **Art, antiques and collectibles.** Appraisals for anything worth a lot.
- ☐ **Musical instruments.** With the maker and serial number.
- ☐ **Ask about limits.** Many policies pay only up to a set amount for jewelry, watches, silver and collectibles unless you add cover for them. Ask your insurer.

Keep it safe

- ☐ **Keep a copy outside your home.** Online, or with someone you trust. A list in a drawer can be lost with everything else.
- ☐ **Keep receipts with it.** A photo of each receipt is fine.
- ☐ **Walk through on video.** Film each room slowly, opening closets and drawers, and say what things are as you go.
- ☐ **Update it once a year.** When your policy renews is a good time, and after any big purchase.

Pax's tip

Snap a whole shelf or an open drawer and BoxTrack lists what's in it, with a guess at what each thing would cost to replace, then makes a report with every photo and value to send your insurer. Your first box is free at box-track.com.



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