House Cleaning Checklist

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- ☐ Basic Cleaning Supplies For Spring House Cleaning
  - ☐ Remove Get rid of the old T-shirts and bar towels and get 2 good Micro Fiber cloths. One for wet use and one for dry.
  - ☐ Buy Get a good scrub brush that's tapered on one end to get into corners and make sure it has a grip you can handle.
  - ☐ Save Save a tree and get a squeegee for your windows instead of using rolls and rolls of paper towels.
  - ☐ Dust Get an extendable duster to reach into corners and get ceiling fan blades.
  - ☐ Gloves You'll need a good pair of rubber gloves that can stand up to some punishment.
  - ☐ Throw away last year's ratty toilet brush and start fresh.
  - ☐ You'll need a broom and dustpan.
  - ☐ Find an old toothbrush or two for scrubbing tight corners.
  - ☐ Get a caddy to carry your cleaning supplies.
  - ☐ Get a good general purpose cleaner in a spray bottle.
  - ☐ Put a mild abrasive cleaner in your caddy, too.
  - ☐ Get a dishwashing liquid with a grease cutter.
  - ☐ Include a small box of baking soda for counter tops.
  - ☐ Get a good quality, odorless oven cleaner.
- ☐ Spring House Cleaning List - The Kitchen
  - ☐ Empty all cupboards and wipe out crumbs and dust.
  - ☐ Reorganize Reorganize cupboards and use storage containers to hold cereal grain products that have been open for awhile to prevent rodents and insects.
  - ☐ Clean the cupboard under the sink and check for any evidence of water damage.
  - ☐ Empty refrigerator and freezer to clean and check dates on everything before you put it back in.
  - ☐ Take your oven racks out and clean the inside of the oven, the racks, and the the drip pan, with oven cleaner.
  - ☐ If your stove top has removable coils, remove them and the burner pans for cleaning.
  - ☐ Replace your burner pans if necessary so you'll have a bright, shiny new oven when you're done.
  - ☐ Scour the sink.

- ☐ Use ;dish washing ;detergent with a degreaser to clean the hood above your oven.
- ☐ Clean the outside of all cabinets and appliances with a mild, non-abrasive cleanser.
- ☐ Vacuum Pull all appliances out from the wall and clean the backs. If necessary use your vacuum around the coils on the back of the refrigerator to remove dust build up.
- ☐ Sweep and scrub the floor under all appliances before you push them back.
- ☐ Empty, clean and organize all drawers.
- ☐ Wipe down all small appliances and put them away somewhere if not used on a regular basis.
- ☐ Remove clutter from countertops.
- ☐ Clean window treatments and wash windows with multi-purpose cleanser.
- ☐ Clean finger prints on walls around light switches and power outlets with multi-purpose cleanser.
- ☐ Empty and clean trash cans and recycling bins.
- ☐ Sweep and mop the floor.

☐ Spring House Cleaning List - The Bathroom

- ☐ Clean shower walls/tub surround and bathtub with a mild abrasive cleanser to remove soap scum.
- ☐ Wash or replace shower curtain and liner.
- ☐ Clean toilet.
- ☐ Clean finger prints on walls around light switches and power outlets with multi-purpose cleanser.
- ☐ Empty drawers and cupboard and clean Reorganize as you put everything back in.
- ☐ Get rid of old linens that you no longer use.
- ☐ Clean window treatments and wash windows with multi-purpose cleanser.
- ☐ Wash sinks and countertops with mild abrasive cleanser if necessary.
- ☐ Empty waste paper basket.

☐ Spring House Cleaning List - The Living Room

- ☐ Clean window treatments and wash windows with multi-purpose cleanser.
- ☐ Clean and polish all light fixtures and lamps.

- ☐ Dust all furniture with furniture polish.
- ☐ Vacuum all cushions and pillows.
- ☐ Move all furniture out to vacuum underneath.
- ☐ Dust all woodwork and trim.
- ☐ Use extendable duster to get cobwebs in corners and on ceiling fans.
- ☐ Clean finger prints on walls around light switches and power outlets with multi-purpose cleanser.
- ☐ Clean all area rugs.

☐ Spring House Cleaning List - The Bedrooms

- ☐ Change and wash all bedding.
- ☐ Store winter blankets and comforters after cleaning.
- ☐ Clean window treatments and wash windows with multi-purpose cleanser.
- ☐ Organize closets Get storage bins for toys and non-seasonal clothing. Donate or toss anything that you haven't used within the last year.
- ☐ Dust all furniture with furniture polish.
- ☐ Use extendable duster to get into high corners and under the furniture.
- ☐ Vacuum all floors.
- ☐ Empty all wastebaskets.
- ☐ Clean finger prints on walls around light switches and power outlets with multi-purpose cleanser.
- ☐ Store toys on shelves or in storage bins and donate any toys that your kids have outgrown.