Garage Checklist

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# Tasks:

☐ **Storing**

☐ **Use waterproof plastic containers to store items in your garage.**

☐ **Make sure poisonous materials are stored in high shelving or in locked cabinets.**

☐ **Store any flammable materials, such as gasoline, away from any heat sources.**

☐ **Store tools in low traffic areas.**

☐ **Use sturdy hooks to hang equipment like bikes.**

☐ **Keep your tools well-sharpened and clean so that they are easy to use.**

☐ **Make sure the route in the garage to travel in and out is clear of tools and other equipment.**

☐ **Cleaning**

☐ **Create three categories: keep, donate, and toss and assign each item to a category.**

☐ **Contact local charities and arrange for a pickup of items to be donated.**

☐ **Sort and label the items you're keeping.**

☐ **Consider installing metal shelving.**

☐ **Regularly clean your garage.**

☐ **Make sure that the floor and other surfaces are clear of debris.**

☐ **Clean it up immediately any spilled chemicals.**

☐ **Safety**

☐ **Floor should be free of liquids or materials that may present a slipping hazard.**

☐ **Garage should be clear of cardboard, paper or sawdust that might become a fire hazard.**

☐ **Make sure there is a functioning fire extinguisher at hand.**

☐ **Avoid idling your car or using a grill inside your garage.**

☐ **Make sure your garage doors have safety mechanisms in place.**

☐ **Instal a sensor that will reverse the direction of the door if any object is underneath the garage door.**

☐ **The exit pathways should be clear and easily reached.**