

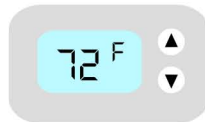
# The New Homeowner's Checklist

- Research utility providers and organize gas, water and electric.



- Get a professional home inspection.
- Talk to an agent about your homeowners insurance policy.

- Locate and label your main circuitbreaker.



- Test your heating and cooling units.
- Check your switchplates and outlet covers and replace if necessary.
- Install a programmable thermostat.
- Test your smoke and carbon monoxide detectors.
- Test your microwave, stove and oven.
- Install outlet covers if you have small children in the house.
- Test your washer and dryer units.
- Research local tax credits for solar panels and/or energy-saving appliances.

- File a change of address with USPS and IRS.



- Change your bank's billing address.
- Update your license, registration and voter card.

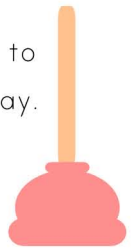
- Update your e-mail to reflect the new address. <http://>

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- Alert your internet and cable company.
- Store and transport all sensitive data on a hard disk, thumb drive or cloud.

- Ask a neighbor or call the city to find your garbage collection day.

- Test your toilets and faucets
- Ask your realtor where gas and water meters are located.



- Check for chipping or fading paint.
- Jiggle doorknobs and tighten screws on any sticky entryways.
- Fill all drywall holes.
- Examine your ceilings for water leaks and stains.
- Clean all vents and air ducts.
- Look for wet spots in your attic, basement and/or crawlspace.

- Develop a family escape plan in case of fire.

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- Put together a first aid kit.
- Research security systems and cameras for your property.