
THE FINAL WALKTHROUGH · FIELD NOTE 16

Walk the empty room before the keys leave.

An empty property makes missed edges visible. Use the written lease and agreed cleaning scope as the starting point; a checklist can document condition but cannot guarantee a deposit outcome.

YOUR KIT

Agreed scope; camera; flashlight; room-by-room checklist



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Three deliberate steps.

01 Walk one room at a time

Check reachable surfaces, floors, corners, and the inside of empty storage that is included in the agreed scope. Record existing damage separately.

02 Check the easy-to-miss edges

Look behind open doors, along baseboards, on window sills, and around handles. Inspect appliance interiors only if they are part of the agreement.

03 Document before handover

Take dated wide views and relevant close-ups before moving items back in. Keep notes, completion photos, and handover details together.

The final check.

- ☐ Each room checked once
- ☐ Damage separated from cleaning notes
- ☐ Dated records saved privately

Know when to pause.

Do not include alarm codes, personal papers, or identifying tenant information in public content. Deposit decisions depend on the agreement and applicable rules.

A useful walkthrough is specific and documented.

Always follow the surface maker's care instructions and product label. Never mix cleaning products. This guide is for ordinary household care, not hazardous-material remediation. Product-specific instructions take priority.

Related references and service information: Wasatch current service terms

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