

Chapter 26 - Cleanup

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Things to Consider

- Some areas may need to be cleaned multiple times.

Components

Cleaning windows, cupboards, countertops
 Window Screens
 Sinks and bathtubs

Timing & Prerequisites

- This phase of the project cannot begin until all the construction is complete.
- The House/Project Lead will work with the Construction Superintendent to coordinate these volunteer activities.

Materials Needed

Natural Glass Cleaner
 Natural Floor Cleaner
 Natural General Surface Cleaner
 Goof-Off
 Paper Towels
 Cotton Rags
 Magic Eraser Sponge

Phase Specific Tools Needed

Description:

- Swiffer Mop
- Broom and Dust Pan
- Vacuum Cleaner
- Razor Scraper
- Soft Bristle Brush
- Squeegee
- Garden Hose and Nozzle
- Putty Knife

Seal Attic Accesses

- After passing the “Occupancy Permit Inspection”, reinstall the attic access covers and seal them closed with a bead of caulk.

Clean the Kitchen

- Dust all cabinets and drawers inside and out.
- Clean the sink and counter tops, using Natural All-Purpose Surface cleaner and cotton rags.
- Place any warranty cards and owner’s manuals in the kitchen drawer closest to the stove.

Clean the Vinyl Floors**Critical Issues**

- Do not use vacuums with any type of beater bar assembly on vinyl surfaces.
- Do not use vinegar, polishes, waxes, oil soaps, abrasive cleaners, harsh detergents, “mop and shine” products or solvents.
- Do not use rubber-backed mats.
- Do not expose flooring to direct sunlight for prolonged periods.
- Do not use steam cleaners.
- Do not flood floor.
- Use walk-off mats at all outside entrances.

- Sweep, dust mop or vacuum.
- Lightly damp mop with a Neutral Floor Cleaner. Remove excess soil or scuffs by carefully scrubbing with a soft nylon brush or magic eraser sponge.
- Remove standing water and other liquids promptly, then follow with Neutral Floor Cleaner.

Clean the Windows

- Remove all stickers and glue from windows, using razor scraper and Goof Off adhesive remover.
- Clean the windows on both sides using Natural Window Cleaner and paper towels or squeegee.
- Open the windows and vacuum the space at the bottom.
- Install the window screens.

Clean the Bathrooms

- Clean the shower/bathtub, toilet and sink top using the Natural All-Purpose Surface cleaner and cotton rags.
- As you are cleaning the tub, check the surface very closely for any cracks or chips. These will need to be repaired.
- Dust the vanity.
- Clean the mirror using Natural Window Cleaner and paper towels. (Be sure all stickers and glue have been removed first).

- Sweep and mop the floor.

Clean Light Fixtures

- Clean all light fixtures with a dry cotton rag.

Clean Porches

- Sweep both porches and scrape up any mud, plaster, etc.
- Wash porches, steps and walk ways using a garden hose.

Quality Assurance Checklist

White Gloves, Good Eyes, and a Good Nose