Home Declutter Checklist

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Work through one room at a time and tick each job off as you go.

Before you start: grab a bin bag and set up four piles: keep, sell, donate, and recycle or bin.

1 Hallway

- [ ] Shoes you haven't worn in a year
- [ ] Coats and bags you've outgrown or gone off
- [ ] Out-of-season coats, hats and wellies
- [ ] The post pile on the side
- [ ] Old keys, receipts and takeaway menus in the key bowl
- [ ] Things on the stairs waiting to go up

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2 Kitchen

- [ ] Cookbooks you never cook from
- [ ] Out-of-date food and spices
- [ ] Duplicate utensils and gadgets you never use
- [ ] Mismatched food containers and lids
- [ ] Chipped mugs, plates and bowls
- [ ] Post that's built up in drawers
- [ ] Clutter on top of the fridge
- [ ] Old magnets and menus on the fridge door
- [ ] Half-empty cleaning products

3 Living room

- [ ] Books you've read or will never pick up
- [ ] CDs and DVDs you no longer play
- [ ] Video games you've finished
- [ ] Old magazines and catalogues
- [ ] Ornaments and art you no longer love
- [ ] Spare cushions and throws
- [ ] Kids' toys that have migrated downstairs
- [ ] Furniture that's too big for the room

4 Bedroom

- [ ] Clothes that don't fit or you haven't worn in a year
- [ ] Worn-out socks, tights and underwear
- [ ] Spare and broken hangers
- [ ] Out-of-season clothes taking up wardrobe space
- [ ] Everything stored under the bed
- [ ] Forgotten bits on top of the wardrobe
- [ ] Finished books on your bedside table
- [ ] Receipts, tags and empty packaging

5 Bathroom

- [ ] Out-of-date medicines (take to a pharmacy)
- [ ] Old sun cream and dried-up make-up
- [ ] Half-empty shower gels and shampoos
- [ ] Hotel miniatures and samples you'll never use
- [ ] Worn towels and bath mats
- [ ] Broken hair ties, clips and old toothbrush heads
- [ ] Kids' bath toys that are broken or mouldy

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6 Home office

- [ ] Paperwork you no longer need
- [ ] Dried-up pens and highlighters
- [ ] Spare stationery you'll never get through
- [ ] Old cables, chargers and tech
- [ ] Old textbooks and work manuals
- [ ] Reference and business books you've outgrown
- [ ] Business cards and old notebooks

7 Kids' rooms

- [ ] Toys they've outgrown
- [ ] Broken toys and puzzles with missing pieces
- [ ] Books they've grown out of
- [ ] Outgrown clothes and shoes
- [ ] Games and DVDs they no longer play
- [ ] Finished Lego sets
- [ ] Dried-up pens, paints and glue sticks

8 Loft

- [ ] Boxes you haven't opened in a year
- [ ] Old books stored "just in case"
- [ ] Boxes of CDs, DVDs and old games
- [ ] Old furniture and electricals
- [ ] Empty boxes and packaging kept "for returns"
- [ ] Whatever's left: label it and use clear boxes

9 Garage or shed

- [ ] Duplicate tools and DIY bits
- [ ] Old paint, chemicals and gas bottles (check council guidance)
- [ ] Broken garden furniture
- [ ] Bikes and sports kit nobody uses
- [ ] Plant pots, seed trays and garden bits you never use
- [ ] Floor space once it's clear: sweep it out

10 Digital clutter

- [ ] Duplicate and blurry photos
- [ ] Apps you never open
- [ ] Emails you never read
- [ ] Files cluttering your desktop and downloads folder
- [ ] Streaming subscriptions you don't use
- [ ] Old phones and chargers in the drawer

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