## Essential Tips You Shouldn't Miss When Leaving Your Rental Home

Leaving a rental home involves several important steps to ensure a smooth transition and protect your security deposit. Here are some essential tips you shouldn't miss:

- 1. Review Your Lease Agreement: Check for any specific requirements or conditions related to moving out, such as notice periods or cleaning obligations.
- 2. **Provide Proper Notice:** Inform your landlord or property manager of your intent to vacate, adhering to the notice period specified in your lease agreement.
- 3. **Conduct a Thorough Cleaning**: Clean the entire property, including carpets, appliances, windows, and bathrooms, to leave it in good condition.
- 4. **Repair Damages:** Fix any minor damages, such as nail holes, scuffs, or broken fixtures, to avoid deductions from your security deposit.
- 5. **Document the Condition:** Take photos or videos of the property's condition before leaving to have evidence in case of disputes over damages.
- 6. **Organize Utilities and Services:** Arrange for the disconnection or transfer of utilities and services such as electricity, water, internet, and cable.
- 7. **Return Keys and Access Devices:** Ensure all keys, garage remotes, and access cards are returned to the landlord or property manager.
- 8. Forward Your Mail: Set up mail forwarding with your postal service to ensure you receive all correspondence at your new address.
- 9. **Schedule a Final Walkthrough:** Request a walkthrough with your landlord to review the property's condition and discuss any potential issues.
- 10. **Secure Your Security Deposit:** Provide a forwarding address for the return of your security deposit and follow up if necessary.

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