

Checklist: Clear the chaos with these decluttering hacks

It's time for a big declutter – but where to start? This helpful checklist will walk you through how to break free of clutter room-by-room.

Decluttering by room

Here we go! You've made a commitment to declutter the home this weekend, and it makes the most sense to go room-by-room.

By segmenting the big job into a handful of much smaller tasks, you can set yourself a goal for the day and be proud of your work once you've finished each of the following rooms:



Bedroom

- Sort through your clothes by season it may be helpful to have a summer side and a winter side
- Donate or discard unworn items or those that don't fit anymore
- Declutter your bedside table and other bedroom storage
- Utilise any under-bed storage

Kitchen

- Declutter your countertops
- Pack away unused appliances
- Sort through the pantry and the fridge and dispose of any expired food or drinks
- Organise your drawers and remove any items that don't belong

Living room

- Remove or pack away any excess items
- Store away (or donate) smaller items that are rarely used DVDs and CDs
- Opt for multifunctional furniture that has its own storage

Bathroom

- Discard any expired beauty products
- Organise your vanity with small functional baskets
- Sort through drawers, putting most commonly used items at the top
- Utilise wall-mounted shelves
- Consider adding over-the-door organisers



Garage or shed

- Dispose of broken or unused items
- Store any tools for easy access
- Utilise shelves or large plastic tubs to store smaller items
- Schedule a council clean-up for larger items that can't be donated or disposed of easily

Outdoors

- Clear the front and back yard of any debris
- Dispose of old toys and broken items such as old garden pots
- Reorganise and clean your outdoor furniture
- Store gardening supplies in one central location



