Kitchens & Utility Rooms

Empty all kitchen cupboards and drawers and cleaned inside and out. Scouring pads can be used to remove any sticky residue and sugar soap can remove grease.

Clean all cupboard doors, inside and out.

All kitchen surfaces should be cleared of food debris and then fully degreased and cleaned using a specific kitchen cleaner containing degreaser.

Wall tiles should be sprayed and wiped down, paying particular attention to behind the hob where grease can splash.

Hobs should be thoroughly cleaned and no food residue left. On a gas hob, all rings should be taken apart and burnt on food removed. Cif cream cleaner is brilliant for removing burnt on food. Glass hobs should be fully smooth to the touch with no raised residue.

The oven and grill must be cleaned thoroughly inside. Oven shelves should be removed and cleaned with a brillo pad to remove burnt on food (they should be silver, not black). You can use Oven Pride, following the instructions on the packet carefully, taking care not to get any on your skin, and make sure to use it outside as it can damage kitchen surfaces. A professional oven clean is around £75, should you choose this option.

Fridges and freezers should be completely emptied, then defrosted, to allow for full cleaning. Freezers can take at least 24 hours to defrost fully, so make sure you leave yourself plenty of time.* Remove each shelf/drawer and clean in the sink with hot soapy water. Clean the inside of the fridge before returning shelves. After cleaning, leave switched off and the **door open**.

*Please note that a charge of £30 will be deducted from the deposit for any fridges and freezers not fully defrosted and cleaned.

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The microwave and extractor fan should be cleaned thoroughly and any grease/burnt on food removed. Don't forget the extractor fan filter.

The washing machine detergent drawer, door and rubber seal should be cleaned and free from black/slimy residue. Check the top of the washing machine for food debris that may have fallen from the worktop above.

Tumble dryer fluff should be removed from the filter.

If you have a dishwasher, make sure to remove any food from the filter and clean inside.

Hoover bags should be removed and replaced with a new one.

Clean interior window glass with glass cleaner and frames with soapy water, taking care not to leave streaky marks.

Floors should be hoovered, then mopped using a suitable cleaner containing degreaser. Make sure to remove appliances such as fridges and freezers in order to clean behind and underneath. The only exception to this is the washing machine due to it's excessive weight.

Any kitchen furniture should be cleaned inside and out.