



BLUE TAPE Checklist

A final walkthrough guide for New
Construction



Protect Your Investment

A thorough blue tape walkthrough and new construction inspection help ensure your home is move-in ready and built to last.



**Blue Tape
Walkthrough**



**New
Construction
Inspection**



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Exterior

- ☐ Driveway and walkways are free of cracks or uneven areas
- ☐ Exterior paint is evenly applied with no overspray or missed spots
- ☐ Siding and trim are properly caulked and undamaged
- ☐ Gutters and downspouts are installed and directing water away
- ☐ Landscaping is completed and irrigation (if present) is operational

Interior Rooms

- ☐ Walls are free of dings, scuffs, or missing paint
- ☐ Ceilings are smooth with no water stains or uneven patches
- ☐ Floors are level and free of gaps, chips or squeaks
- ☐ Trim and baseboards are securely attached
- ☐ electrical outlets have cover plates and function properly

Mechanical and Safety

- ☐ HVAC system is operational (test heat and AC)
- ☐ Water heater is installed and has no visible leaks
- ☐ Smoke and CO detectors are installed and working
- ☐ electrical panel is labeled and accessible
- ☐ Garage is clean and construction supplies are removed

Doors and Windows

- ☐ All doors open, close and latch smoothly
- ☐ Weather stripping is secure and intact
- ☐ Locks and deadbolts are functional
- ☐ Windows open, close and lock
- ☐ Window screens are undamaged and in place

Kitchen and Bathrooms

- ☐ Cabinets open and close properly, no loose hinges
- ☐ Countertops are free of damage or missing caulk
- ☐ Faucets run hot and cold water, no leaks at base
- ☐ Toilets flush and are securely mounted
- ☐ Exhaust fans operate and vent outside

Final Notes:

A professional home inspection focuses on big-picture issues: structural defects, major system concerns, and safety hazards. The blue tape walkthrough, on the other hand, is your chance to catch cosmetic flaws, finish work issues, and confirm that requested repairs have been completed.

Use this checklist during your final walkthrough to help ensure your new home is complete, polished, and ready for move-in.