# Complete Safety Guide For Rental Property

#### **Abstract**

Ensuring the well-being of tenants within rental properties is of paramount importance. This comprehensive safety guide delves into crucial aspects, offering practical insights for creating a secure living environment. Covering topics ranging from securing doors and windows to implementing fire safety measures, the guide addresses potential hazards and provides easy-to-follow tips. With a focus on personal safety, home security systems, and emergency preparedness, tenants will gain valuable knowledge to safeguard themselves and their belongings.

The guide emphasizes the importance of maintaining safety in shared spaces, childproofing, and staying vigilant against accidents. Additionally, it explores electrical and appliance safety, promoting a proactive approach to addressing potential risks. As tenants navigate through this safety guide, they'll be equipped with essential information to foster a secure and protected rental living experience.

# Why Safety Matters in Your Rental?



Most of your rights and responsibilities are legal requirements of the Residential Tenancies Act 1997. Your residential tenancy agreement is one of the documents you signed before you moved in.

It is important you understand the information on:

- fire safety
- changes to your household
- getting along with neighbours
- being away from your home

- having pets
- Unauthorised Occupants

The Renting Book is the guide to your rights and responsibilities when renting a home in the ACT and can be downloaded from the Justice and Community Safety Directorate website.

Safety matters in your rental for several compelling reasons. Firstly, it provides a protective shield for you and your loved ones, creating a sense of security within the confines of your home. A safe living space allows you to focus on your daily activities without the distraction of potential hazards, contributing to a healthier and happier lifestyle.

Furthermore, prioritizing safety safeguards your possessions from theft or damage, preserving the value and sentimental importance of your belongings. Knowing that your home is secure allows you to relax and enjoy your living space without constant concerns about the safety of your possessions.

Additionally, a commitment to safety is a proactive approach to accident prevention. By being mindful of potential risks and implementing necessary precautions, you significantly reduce the likelihood of injuries and emergencies. This, in turn, promotes a more stable and predictable living environment.

In summary, the importance of safety in your rental cannot be overstated. It establishes the foundation for a harmonious and worry-free living experience, ensuring that your home is a haven where you can thrive, relax, and create lasting memories.

Your responsibilities as a public housing renter include:

- Paying your rent 2 weeks in advance
- Making sure you do not damage the property and that you tell us about any damage
- Making sure you keep the property and yard reasonably clean
- Not using the property for an illegal purpose
- Not transferring your tenancy to someone else without our permission
- Not allowing another person to move into the property without telling us and submitting a new rebate application if required
- Not creating, or allowing your visitors to create disturbance or excessive noise.

# What Safety Requirements Are Landlords Responsible For?

The Residential Tenancies Act 1997 (the Act) is the law that governs renting in the ACT. It provides a balanced framework that gives tenants strong protections, so they feel secure in their homes, while respecting the legitimate rights and interests of landlords in their property. The law

also provides for fast, independent and informal resolution of disputes through the ACT Civil and Administrative Tribunal.



The Act also sets out the law on occupancies. Occupancies are an alternative form of legal agreement for housing to tenancies. People who live in student accommodation, crisis accommodation, a caravan (or mobile home) park, a room in a club, or a boarding house, will usually be occupants. Occupants are also protected under the Act with minimum guaranteed rights and access to dispute resolution options to enforce them.

Access to secure and stable housing is fundamental to well-being. The information on this page is intended to help landlords, tenants, occupants and grantors to know their rights and obligations. This allows the parties to tenancy and occupancy agreements to make informed choices, manage their relationship with confidence, minimise and constructively resolve disputes, and as necessary enforce their rights.

# **Essentials for tenants**

- Read your residential tenancy agreement and check what terms it containsbefore you sign it. Check that it contains the standard residential tenancy terms and whether it contains any additional terms.
- Do not sign anything unless you understand what it means. Never sign a blank form even if it looks official. Keep a copy of everything you sign.

- Read the condition report for the property and make sure you sign it and send it back. If
  you don't do this, you will be taken to accept it. You have the right to disagree with it and
  add your comments to the report. Consider taking photos of the property on, or soon
  after, the day you move in as evidence of its condition. You may wish to send your
  photos to your landlord along with the completed condition report.
- Put all requests to your agent or landlord in writing. If important matters are discussed
  or agreed in a conversation, follow up with an email to confirm your understanding of the
  conversation. Having a written record will help if there is a dispute at a later stage.
- Let your landlord or agent know as soon as possible of any repairs that need to be done.



- If you are in a shared house,get written permission from your landlord and fellow co-tenant(s)if you want to move out or have a new housemate move in as a co-tenant.
- Get written permission from your landlord if you want to sublet the property to someone else. You are not allowed to have new people (other than a domestic partner, children or short-term, non-paying guests) living in the property without the landlord's consent.

- Make sure you pay your rent on time. You are not allowed to withhold rent during a
  dispute with your landlord unless you have the approval of the ACT Civil and
  Administrative Tribunal (ACAT).
- You cannot be evicted in the ACT without your landlord giving you a valid reason that is recognised under the law. Wanting to increase the rent is not an acceptable reason. See further below on ending your tenancy.
- You are always entitled to seek legal advice. The Tenancy Advice Service ACTis funded by the ACT Government to provide free legal advice to all tenants. You cancontact them on 1300 402 512 or TAS@legalaidact.org.au.Other information and support services are listed in the 'Need more help?' section at the end of this book.
- Communicate with your landlord or agent and keep them informed of any problems that may arise. Most problems are resolved by agreement.
- If a dispute between you and the landlord (or agent) cannot be resolved, you have the right to take the dispute to ACAT. You do not need a lawyer in ACAT. Application fees (and fee waiver processes) may apply. You can get further information on ACAT's website or contact ACAT on (02) 6207 1740 or tribunal@act.gov.au.
- The law prohibits landlords from retaliating against you (e.g. trying to evict you or putting
  you on a tenancy database (also known as a tenancy 'blacklist')or ending your tenancy)
  if you seek to enforce your rights. If you think this has happened, see further below for
  more information on retaliatory evictions and tenancy databases, or seek legal advice.

# Complete Fire Safety 101: What You Need to Know

#### House fires have the potential to threaten lives and property.

ACT Fire & Rescue responds to more than 200 house and structure fires each year. Fire can take hold in as little as three-minutes and cause significant damage.

During the winter months, ACT Fire & Rescue urges the Canberra community to take extra care to prevent house fires.

# **Basic Firefighting Equipment**



ACT Fire & Rescue recommends that all households have a fire extinguisher and or fire blanket easily accessible in the kitchen.

The most versatile extinguisher is a Dry Powder (ABE) which can be used on flammable materials, flammable liquids, and electrical equipment.

Never put water on a fat or cooking fire. Fire blankets, or a pot lid can be used to smother flames.

Only use a fire blanket or fire extinguisher within the first few seconds of ignition if you feel confident doing so.

If fire takes hold, get out, stay out, and call Triple-Zero (000).

## **Don't Stop Looking While You're Cooking**

Kitchen fires started by unattended cooking is the most common fire threat to the home.

The number one thing to do to prevent fires in the kitchen is to keep your stove top and oven clean and clear of anything that might easily catch fire.

These include aerosols, cleaning products, alcohol and cooking oils, which should be stored away from heat. Items on the counter top can allow fire that might have started in a pan to spread somewhere else.

Make sure pot and pan handles are facing away from you to avoid getting knocked over, keep an eye on children and pets in the kitchen.

# The Fire Risk is Higher With a Neglected Dryer

Clothes dryers can be a source of ignition for fire. Make sure you clean the lint filter before and after every load.

The filter acts as a conduit for hot air, leaving the dryer. If it gets blocked, it's possible for the built up lint to catch fire.

Most dryers have two filters, one internally and one on the front. Yours might be found on the side or could even be vented externally.

It's always a good idea to switch off appliances like you dryer when you leave home, or go to sleep.

If something goes wrong, it's best that you're at home to call for help.

#### **Always Stay One Metre from the Heater**

Living in Canberra, a heater is a must have at home. That's why it's important we all stay safe with these appliances and prevent fires.

Never place anything on top of the heater, or within one meter. If the heater gets turned on, clothes or other items covering the heater could catch fire.

If your heater is built into the house, make sure it's installed by a qualified tradesperson and always follow the manufacturer's instructions.

It's best to only use portable heaters that have automatic safety switches that turn the heater off if it's tipped over.

#### A Forgotten Flame Can End in a Shame

Fires can be both good and bad. A candle? Well, that's a good fire. But a house fire? Definitely bad.

Always keep candles at least one meter away from flammable household items.

It's really important to think about the surface you place your candle on. Try to avoid flammable materials and always use a candle holder appropriate for your needs.

Always remember to put candles out before leaving home or going to bed.

Did you know that a fire from a forgotten candle can get out of control in as little as 3 minutes?

#### **Electric Blankets Are Neat Until They Overheat**

Electric blankets are a great way to stay warm, but it's important to follow some simple tips to stay safe.

Before using your electric blanket, check for any discolouration or marks caused by overheating or signs of wear and tear

Be sure to check the cord and plug. If there's any damage, it's simple, don't use it.

The safest way to enjoy your electric blanket is to turn it on half an hour before going to bed and then turn it off when you go to sleep.

## **Don't Go Overboard With Your Power Cords**

The most common cause of electrical fires is damaged wiring. By checking the cord every time you use your appliance, you can prevent fires.

If it's damaged, make sure you stop using the appliance straight away.

Be sure not to overload your outlets. Not only is overloading a fire hazard, but if too many appliances are plugged in, it can even damage your devices.

# The Fire Risk is Larger With a Mishandled Charger



Make sure to give your devices some clear space while charging.

Phones caught under blankets, or a laptop buried in a couch can easily overheat.

Never use a damaged or faulty charger. While it's unplugged, feel along the full length of the cord checking for any cuts or fraying.

If you notice anything unusual like excessive heat or swelling. It's simple: Stop using the charger immediately.

#### Stay With Your Fire Pit Whenever It's Lit

Make sure your fire pit is situated in a suitable position away from combustible materials. You should also have a water source handy or a fire extinguisher to quickly gain control of the fire if needed.

Before you light up, be sure to check the weather and don't use the fire pit if it's too windy or there's a total fire ban.

In the ACT, fire pits are only permitted for cooking or for warmth.

Did you know that neglected embers which aren't extinguished could still reignite even after 12 hours?

## **Guarding Your Home: Easy Safety Measures**

We all want to feel safe in our homes as well as protect our loved ones who visit. It is critical to take time to implement safety measures at your home. This is especially true when there are children in the home.

Below are some shocking home safety statistics as well as our 50 home safety tips broken into several categories. The first section of this post are tips for keeping children safe in your home. The second section of this post discusses physical safety measures that can be implemented. The third main section of the post looks at other broad safety measures to consider around the home. The last eight tips specifically discuss information relating to personal preparedness.

# 17 Tips for Keeping Children Safe at Home



Many of the tips in the sections that follow this one revolve around how you can protect yourself and your home from others. Children on the other hand often need protection from themselves. The following 17 tips can help protect the children in your home from being injured.

#### Dispose of Items that Create Hazards for Children to Eliminate Them Altogether

- 1. Put lighters and matches out of children's reach. According to the NFPA, children are often the cause of fires in the home. Discard any excessive lighters or matches. Hide any remaining lighters and matches out of reach. Do not leave candles unattended around children.
- 2. Dispose of unused or open chemicals. Cleaners, oils, and other chemicals that are left open on the floor of garages, in cabinets, or in the backyard can easily injure a curious child.
- 3. Limit the number of small objects around the house. Younger children are curious beings who like to put objects in their mouths. Dispose of any unnecessary small objects and put the remainder out of children's reach.
- 4. Tie up plastic bags and dispose of them promptly. Just like small objects, plastic bags are a choking hazard for children. Do not leave them around the house.
- 5. Eliminate or tie up the strings for your blinds. Children can easily find themselves tangled in these strings.
- 6. Install a lockable fence around your pool. Hundreds of children drown in U.S. pools and hot tubs each year.
- 7. Make it difficult for children to make it onto elevated surfaces. If you give a kid the chance to climb a ladder, he will do it. The same goes for anything that can get him up to a higher level. Even a fall from a relatively low surface can be deadly.

- 8. Lock up any guns. Gun safes are the best choice for locking up guns. There are other options such as trigger lock options if there is not a gun safe in the house.
- 9. Lock up chemicals. Ensure all cleaners and chemicals are locked away in a shed or under the sink so children cannot access them. Cabinet locks are an easy way to secure chemicals.
- 10. Ensure medications as well as supplements are locked away. Accidental overdoses can occur if children get a hold of medications.
- 11. Secure furniture and large objects such as TVs from tipping over. Injuries and fatalities due to these objects tipping over are staggering. Consider using a product such as these furniture ties to secure furniture or TVs.
- 12. Install window guards on windows, not on the first floor. Screens are not meant to hold children inside. Children can fall out of windows due to pressing the screens. Ensure whatever guards are put into place can be removed in the event of a fire.
- 13. Install outlet plug covers. Outlet plug covers are a cheap way to protect children from placing their fingers or objects in an electrical outlet.
- 14. Put edge protectors on the sharp edges of furniture. Kids love to run and stumble around. Unfortunately, they are often getting bumps and bruises from running into objects in the home. Supervise Children to Protect Them from Serious Injury.
- 15. Do not leave children unattended with dogs. The CDC reports that over 800,000 dog bites occur each year and over 50% of victims are children.
- 16. Do not leave children alone in the kitchen. Besides sharp objects such as knives or heavy objects such as tabletop appliances, there are many other hazards that can injure a child. Stepping out of the kitchen for only a moment while making a meal can result in an injury such as burns from the stovetop.
- 17. Do not leave children unsupervised outside. Even if you have a fenced-in backyard, there are many ways kids can find to injure themselves.
- 10 Tips for Physical Home Safety and Security Products



There are so many unique home security products out on the market today. Thanks to the internet and technology becoming less expensive, most people can handle installing many great security features in their homes over the weekend with the help of Google and YouTube.

1. Install a smart doorbell. Home security options are ever-expanding. If you want to add a quick layer of protecting your home look at video doorbell options such as Ring.

- 2. Install locks on windows. Most widows already have locks, but if yours do not, or the original locks have broken, consider using these aftermarket locks to secure your home.
- 3. Install a deadbolt on your doors. Are you relying on just your door knob lock to keep people out? That is a mistake. Spend the time and money to get a proper deadbolt lock on your door.
- 4. Buy a delivery box protection system. Millions of packages are stolen each year from porches. While a doorbell security camera can help to identify the person who stole it, the camera will not prevent theft. Products such as secure package delivery boxes can help to secure your packages.
- 5. Install motion-activated lights. There are many different motion-activated light products to consider. These lights can deter someone from coming onto your property or alert you when someone does so.
- 6. Install a home security system or security cameras. There are plenty of options outside of ADT and the other big companies for installing a security system. Many people install their own security systems with products from Amazon or other online stores.
- 7. Add window sensors. Window sensors allow you to know when someone opens one of your windows. Click the photo below to view the product options.



8. Install a smoke alarm. This is home safety 101, but many families still do not have functioning fire alarms or smoke detectors placed where needed throughout their residences. The NFPA reports that homes without fire alarms had twice as many home fire victims.

- 9. Install a carbon monoxide alarm. Carbon monoxide is a silent killer. Carbon monoxide detectors may be the only safeguard that can make a difference in saving your life when it comes to a carbon monoxide leak that can lead to carbon monoxide poisoning.
- 10. Place a bar or piece of wood on the track of any sliding door. Sliding doors may be easier to pick or pull open. Placing a piece of wood in the open section of the track can provide another level of security which can help prevent someone from entering your home.

#### 15 Other Safety Measures to Take Around the House That Are Not Listed Above

This last section of tips and actions does not fit under the categories above, but they are critical. Most of these items are decisions many people make that can contribute to having a bad event happen to them or not being prepared if something bad occurs.

- 1. For the love of everything, do not hide a spare key under the welcome mat. If you choose to hide a spare key around the house be smart about where you put it. There are many unique ways to properly hide a key as well as products that can assist you in smarter ways than hiding a key under the welcome mat.
- 2. Remove family stickers or other identifying information. The stick family stickers that people place on their cars let strangers know how many people are in a home as well as the dog's name. This information can be useful to someone who wants to burglarize a home.

- 3. Do not put empty boxes of expensive products outside your house. These boxes give thieves tips on what can be found in the house.
- 4. Hide valuables. Do not leave valuables in plain sight at any time.
- 5. Limit what information you put on Facebook. Letting your family know you are going on vacation on Facebook may seem like a harmless action, but you could also be letting a would-be burglar know that you will be leaving town as well.
- 6. Do not allow mail to pile up when you are away. Just like letting everyone know you are going on vacation on Facebook, letting your stack of mail grow can signal that you are not home.
- 7. Do not leave valuables in your car. Do not give someone a reason to break into your car and maybe even give them a reason to also check out what is in your house.
- 8. Do not allow anyone to make spare keys to your home. Leaving a spare for a maintenance worker or someone else who you do not know.
- 9. Keep an emergency kit in the house. Emergency kits have varying content, but having one ready to go can be critical. A quick Google search will bring an endless amount of options to choose from.
- 10. Invest in a generator. Generators can be a literal lifesaver when the power goes out for an extended period of time. Talk to a professional to understand what type of generator you may need and what its limits are.
- 11. Keep a fire extinguisher in your house. Fires can happen anywhere in the house but often start in the kitchen. Make sure to have at least a 2.5lb ABC fire extinguisher if not something larger such as a 5lb ABC extinguisher. Make sure you understand the PASS method to use one correctly.
- 12. Add fake safety signage, stickers, or even fake cameras around the house. If you do not want to invest in a real security camera or alarm system at least consider buying stickers and signs saying you have one. There are even many inexpensive options for fake cameras on the market today.
- 13. Do not let others know what prescription drugs individuals may have in your household. Sounds silly right? Why would you do such a thing? But the reality is telling people your wife just got her wisdom teeth out may lead the wrong person to want to come into your home to get access to the pain pills he was probably prescribed. Many people are suffering from the opioid epidemic, probably even a few people you know and just do not realize it.

- 14. Do not leave your garage door open. Doing so makes it easy for would-be thieves to see what is in the garage as well as makes it quick to slip in and out.
- 15. Have your water tested. Do you know where your water comes from? If it is well water, when was the last time it was tested? If it is city water, do you know where to find the test result information for the water that you are consuming?

# **Making Sure Your Home is Secure**



Ensuring the security of your home is a paramount aspect of maintaining a safe and comfortable living environment. Taking the time to implement measures that deter potential threats and protect against unforeseen circumstances contributes significantly to your overall well-being.

# **Door and Window Security:**

Start by evaluating the security of your doors and windows. Reinforce entry points with sturdy locks, deadbolts, and strike plates. Consider installing a peephole to verify visitors before opening the door. For windows, secure them with window locks or secondary blocking devices to prevent unauthorized access.

#### **Home Security Systems:**

Explore the option of installing a home security system. Modern systems offer a range of features, including surveillance cameras, motion detectors, and alarms. These not only act as deterrents but also provide real-time monitoring, giving you peace of mind when you're away from home.

#### **Outdoor Lighting:**

Adequate outdoor lighting is a simple yet effective way to enhance home security. Well-lit exterior spaces discourage intruders and make it easier for you to navigate around your property at night. Consider motion-activated lights for additional security, illuminating potential blind spots.

#### **Emergency Preparedness:**

Develop a comprehensive emergency plan for your household. Ensure everyone knows evacuation routes, emergency contact information, and the location of essential supplies such as first aid kits and fire extinguishers. Regularly review and practice the emergency plan with all members of your household.

#### **Neighborhood Watch and Community Engagement:**

Engage with your neighbors and participate in neighborhood watch programs if available. A tight-knit community can serve as an additional layer of security, with neighbors looking out for each other and promptly reporting any suspicious activities.

## **Securing Valuables:**

Safeguard your valuables by using secure storage solutions such as safes or lockable cabinets. Keep important documents, jewelry, and valuable items in these designated secure areas to mitigate potential losses in the event of a break-in.

# **Regular Maintenance:**



Regularly inspect and maintain your home's security features. This includes checking and replacing damaged locks, ensuring the functionality of security systems, and addressing any issues with outdoor lighting. Timely maintenance helps keep your security measures effective and reliable.

Taking proactive steps to make sure your home is secure not only protects your property but also provides you with the confidence and peace of mind necessary for a harmonious living experience. Regular assessments and improvements to your home's security contribute to creating a safe haven where you can thrive and enjoy the comforts of home.

# **Basic Mistakes to Avoid in End-of-Lease Cleaning**

Do you know Canberra renters don't get their rental bonds back in more than half of cases? Compared to NSW, South Australia, Queensland and Victoria, renters in the Australian National Capital Territory have to be more mindful of end of lease cleaning. If you are a renter in Canberra who is ending a tenancy, your chances of losing your security deposit partially or completely are greater.

Therefore, you must focus on getting 100% of your bond back which is up to four weeks of rent. Meaning, if your weekly house rent is \$675 (average rent in Canberra) then the rental bond will be a maximum of \$2700.

Since a rental bond is a significant amount of money to lose, many renters hire professionals for end of lease cleaning in Canberra. You can do the same to reduce stress and hassle. Whatever you decide to do, make sure to avoid the following mistakes and end your tenancy without dispute. Have a look.

**Not Inspecting The Property Before Cleaning** 



You should start the process of end of lease cleaning only after you have thoroughly inspected your rented real estate for fair wear and tear along with areas to clean. Refer the original condition report to know what cleaning tasks to perform to return the property in a reasonable condition and get your bond back completely.

Furthermore, a review will help you know whether DIY bond cleaning would be sufficient or you need the assistance from professionals for end of lease cleaning in Canberra. Therefore, make sure to inspect your rented property at least eight weeks prior to your tenancy end date and devise a plan accordingly.

# Cleaning Without A Checklist

End of lease cleaning is different from regular house cleaning, which is why it is imperative to have a checklist while performing. At the end of your tenancy, you have to clean the entire property, which cannot be done without a plan and streamlining your work. Even professionals performing end of lease cleaning in Canberra follow a professional house cleaning checklist to get their work done effectively and efficiently.

# **Using Harsh And Dangerous Cleaners**

Repeated and prolonged exposure to harsh and chemical-ridden cleaners can cause serious respiratory conditions, aggravated allergies, asthma, eye/skin irritation and much more. Ingredients in cleaners like Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs), ammonia, chlorine, sodium hydroxide, and PERCs, among others are harmful to humans, animals, and the environment. Thus, while getting products for the end of lease cleaning, ensure you choose organic and nontoxic cleaners made with natural and bio-degradable components. Like green end of lease cleaning experts in Canberra, you can use baking soda, white vinegar, lemon, Castile Soap, and other natural products to sanitise your home.

#### **Disinfecting Without Cleaning**

A common mistake many people make is using only a disinfectant to sanitise household surfaces and fixtures. Disinfectants are necessary for killing dangerous pathogens that cause contagious and communicable diseases. But, when you apply them without cleaning first, the physical contaminants and grime shield the germs, making your effort to clean and disinfect both useless.

Professional end of lease cleaners in Canberra always clean then disinfect surfaces, as it is the correct way to remove contaminants and germs. Thus, change your habit immediately if you are disinfecting without cleaning.

#### **Cleaning With Dirty Tools**

Even new scrubs, sponges, cloths and brushes become hot spots for germs after one use, which is why reusing dirty tools spreads pathogens making your efforts fruitless. Therefore, you must sanitise cleaning tools after every use to make them safe to use. Here are tips to keep house cleaning tools dirt and germ-free.

- Empty dust bag of vacuum cleaner regularly and wash the attachment tools as per requirement.
- Dip brushes, sponges and scouring pads in a solution of one part bleach and ten parts water to kill illness-causing germs.
- Machine or hand wash mop heads, dusters, microfiber cloths and other rags.
- Air dry cleaning tools before placing them in holders, cabinets or other storage units.

## **Not Using Correct Cleaning Techniques**



Most people don't pay attention to how they wipe or scrub household surfaces, but using the right techniques makes a sea of change. Professional end of lease cleaning in Canberra saves time, energy and effort because they are trained to clean accurately. Here are useful insights to help you clean the right optimally.

- Move top to bottom while dusting, wiping, washing or scrubbing vertical surfaces/fixtures.
- o Scrub in a circular motion to break grime, grease and build-up.
- Always dab and never rub carpets during stain removal.
- Make the 'W' pattern while vacuuming and 'S' pattern while wiping.

# **Not Asking For Help**

Process of bond cleaning is a time-consuming, strenuous, and tiring activity which is impossible to complete in time alone. It involves a host of cleaning tasks that sometimes need to be done simultaneously to be productive. You can ask near and dear ones for assistance but the best solution is to hire end of lease cleaning experts. They work in teams and complete this strenuous activity within a few hours where it would take non-specialists days. Thus, if for any reason you are pressed for time or cannot manage the cleaning, please seek assistance.

#### Wrapping Up

While cleaning, making mistakes are common, but when you have to perform end of lease cleaning, certain errors can decrease your eligibility to apply to get your residential rental bond back completely. One of the best ways to ensure your security deposit is received in full is to hire professionals for end of lease cleaning in Canberra.

However, if you are DIY cleaning, then don't make the mistakes mentioned above and return the rented real estate in the same and reasonable condition it was in at the time of occupancy.

#### **Bottom Line**

As we wrap up, envision your home not just as a place of residence but as a secure sanctuary where your well-being is a top priority. By implementing the safety measures discussed, you've fortified the defenses of your living space, creating an environment where you can confidently navigate your daily life.

Remember, the commitment to maintaining a safe and sound home is an ongoing process. Regular checks, updates, and proactive measures ensure that your sanctuary remains resilient against potential risks. By prioritizing safety, you contribute to a positive living experience for yourself and your loved ones.

As you embark on the journey within your secure sanctuary, may it be a haven of comfort, joy, and tranquility. Here's to a future filled with peace of mind and the serenity that comes from knowing your home is truly safe and sound.

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