



Ro Maintenance - Top Renovation Checklist for a Kitchen Makeover

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This Kitchen Renovation Checklist is designed to ensure that every stage of your kitchen makeover is thorough, efficient, and results in a beautiful, functional space. Ro Maintenance offers professional support for all renovation needs. Contact us to discuss how we can assist with your kitchen transformation.

1. Initial Planning

- Define Goals and Budget - Determine what you want to achieve (e.g., more storage, updated appliances, modern design) and set a realistic budget.
- Take Accurate Measurements - Measure the space accurately, including walls, windows, doorways, and ceiling height.
- Create a Layout and Design - Plan the layout (L-shaped, U-shaped, galley) and choose a design theme, considering workflow and accessibility.

2. Permits, Regulations, and Professional Help

- Obtain Necessary Permits - Check with local authorities for permits for electrical, plumbing, or structural work.
- Hire Qualified Professionals - Consult contractors, electricians, and plumbers, and review references and credentials.

3. Demolition and Site Preparation

- Clear the Kitchen Space - Remove old cabinets, appliances, and any fixtures that won't be reused.
- Inspect for Hidden Issues - Check for any plumbing, electrical, or structural issues that may need repair.
- Set Up Temporary Kitchen (if needed) - Create a temporary cooking area if the renovation will be lengthy.

4. Structural, Plumbing, and HVAC Updates

- Reinforce Walls and Flooring as Needed - Make necessary structural adjustments to support heavy appliances or new layouts.



Install or Update Plumbing - Update plumbing lines if moving the sink or adding a dishwasher.

HVAC Adjustments - Install or move ductwork for ventilation and range hoods.

5. Electrical Work and Lighting Installation

Install New Wiring for Appliances and Outlets - Ensure wiring for additional outlets, under-cabinet lighting, or appliances.

Plan and Install Lighting Layout - Include task lighting, ambient lighting, and accent lighting in the design.

Add GFCI Outlets for Safety - Install GFCI outlets near water sources for safety.

6. Flooring Installation

Choose Durable and Water-Resistant Flooring - Select flooring that can withstand spills, moisture, and foot traffic (e.g., tile, laminate, or vinyl).

Level and Prepare Subfloor - Ensure an even subfloor and appropriate underlayment for noise reduction and durability.

7. Cabinetry and Countertops

Select Cabinet Style and Material - Choose a cabinet style that suits the kitchen design and provides adequate storage.

Install Cabinets and Hardware - Ensure cabinets are level, and add hardware for a polished look.

Choose and Install Countertops - Select durable countertops (e.g., granite, quartz, laminate) and seal as necessary.

8. Backsplash, Walls, and Paint

Choose Backsplash Material and Design - Select a backsplash that complements countertops and cabinets.

Install Backsplash - Apply and secure backsplash material, ensuring it's moisture-resistant.

Paint Walls with Moisture-Resistant Paint - Use durable paint for a long-lasting finish.



9. Appliance Installation

- Install Large Appliances in Planned Spots - Place the refrigerator, stove, dishwasher, and any other appliances as planned.
- Install Ventilation for Range Hood - Ensure proper ventilation for the range hood.
- Connect Dishwasher, Oven, and Other Appliances - Test connections and ensure functionality.

10. Final Adjustments and Decor

- Inspect and Test All Installations - Test all appliances, fixtures, and outlets to ensure they work correctly.
- Add Decorative Touches - Complete the design with accessories such as bar stools, plants, or decorative elements.
- Deep Clean and Final Inspection - Conduct a thorough cleaning and make a final inspection before using the kitchen.