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# HOUSE PAINTING CHECKLIST

## *Getting what you want from a painting contractor*

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Considering some details in advance of your meeting with a painting contractor will save you time and money. This checklist is an essential tool to use in determining specifics for a project. You can add your own questions and comments in the Meeting Notes Section found at the end of this checklist.

### **Interior**

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Walls                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen cabinets  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Ceilings                               | <input type="checkbox"/> Window sash       |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trim ( <u>see below</u> ) <sup>1</sup> | <input type="checkbox"/> Hand railings     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Closets                                | <input type="checkbox"/> Balusters         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bookcases                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Window Blinds     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Radiators                              | <input type="checkbox"/> Wallpaper removal |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Heat Registers                         | <input type="checkbox"/> Other (specify)   |

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<sup>[1]</sup> Includes: Casings, doors, baseboards, chair rails, ceiling moldings, wainscoting, decorative trim.

## Exterior

- Siding
- Trim (see below)<sup>2</sup>
- Porches
- Decks
- Window Sash
- Window Glazing
- Doors
- Shutters
- Garages
- Garage doors
- Sheds
- Pool house / Gazebo
- Chimney
- Bulkhead
- Gutters / Downspouts
- Fences / Gates
- Railings
  - Wood
  - Iron
- Roof Shingles
- Lattice
- Other (specify)

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<sup>[2]</sup>Includes: Fascia boards, casings, corner boards, etc.

## **Relevant Questions**

- What colors?
- What sheen levels?
- Do you have a preference for a brand of paint?
- When would you like the estimate?
- When would you like the work performed?
- Are there any critical deadlines to be met? (i.e. parties, functions, etc.)

## **What to do before your painters arrive:**

### **For exterior work**

- Trim shrubs that touch your home's exterior
  - Notify your home service companies about your painting project
    - Landscapers
    - Pool maintenance
    - Sprinkler maintenance
    - Others

### **For interior work**

- Move delicate items from the work area
  - Remove pictures no longer to be displayed
  - Identify very heavy or delicate furniture requiring special care or extra manpower to move

## **Meeting notes:**