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Molly Maid's '5 Days of Cleaning'

Local Franchise Owner Offers Tips to Efficiently Clean House for the Holidays

ANN ARBOR, MI – With the holidays fast approaching, Molly Maid is helping local homeowners by taking some of the stress out of cleaning. The typical cleaning frenzy happening the night before Christmas is now a thing of the past.

Cleaning experts from Molly Maid, the nation's leading residential cleaning franchise, are offering tips on how to break down the cleaning of your home throughout five days leading up to the holiday.

First day: *Porch, foyer, entryway and central closet*

Concentrate on clearing up and organizing clutter. Wipe clean glass doors, light fixtures and doorways and knobs. Vacuum or sweep floor, mop if necessary.

Second day: *Bedrooms, Hallways, Stairs*

Dust top to bottom including ceiling fans, light fixtures, vents, nooks and crannies. Wipe down doorways, furniture, and knickknacks. Vacuum floor especially under the bed, along the baseboards and under the furniture. Mop floor if necessary. Lay out fresh linens and towels in the guest bedroom(s).

Third day: *Bathrooms*

Dust top to bottom including light fixtures and vents. Disinfect toilet, tub, shower, bathroom surfaces. Wipe clean cabinets, doorway(s) and knickknacks. Wipe clean sink, mirror. Vacuum and mop. Replace shower liner(s).

Fourth day: *Living Room, Dining Room, Family Room, Great Room*

Dust top to bottom including ceiling fans, light fixtures and vents. Wipe clean doorways mantels, furniture, inside and out of cabinets and knickknacks. Vacuum furniture, along baseboards and under furniture. Mop if necessary.

Fifth day: *Kitchen*

Dust top to bottom including ceiling fans, light fixtures and vents. Wipe clean stove, fridge, microwave, small appliances cabinets, counters and sink. Wipe clean cabinets, islands, racks. Vacuum and mop the floor.

"Everyone is crunched for time these days and spending 10 hours cleaning your house at the last-minute is no way to start off the Christmas holiday," said Kristi Mailloux, President of Molly Maid, Inc. "By breaking down the household tasks into five easy days, the holidays will be a little less stressful for everyone."

About Molly Maid

Molly Maid, based in Ann Arbor, MI, is one of three service companies under Service Brands International. The residential cleaning franchise, ranked number one in the United States, was founded in 1979 and began franchising in 1984. Currently, over 450 Molly Maid units are operating in the United States alone, with an additional 300 operating throughout Puerto Rico, Canada, Japan, England and Portugal. Molly Maid has consistently ranked well in *Entrepreneur* magazine's Franchise 500 rankings, currently at number 81. Molly Maid has also been the recipient of numerous awards for entrepreneurialism, software innovation and humanitarian causes, including the Ms. Molly Foundation, which collects money and goods for safe houses and shelters for victims of domestic violence.

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