

Having an inventory of your home contents makes a potential claim more manageable. It will also help you choose the right amount of coverage for the value of your contents.

The list below will help ensure you make note of any valuables in each room of your home.

Know what you own

Grab a pen and paper or pull out your phone to make a list. Then walk around your home including your garage or any outdoor spaces and make a detailed record of your valuables in each room. Make note of each item, what you paid for it and when, how many you have, the brand and the model.

Bedroom		Home Office		
	Electronics: TVs, computers Furniture			Electronics: computers, printers, modem
	Clothes and shoes			Furniture: desk, storage units, chairs, etc.
	Jewellery Bedding		Ш	Additional equipment: art supplies, photograph equipment, etc.
Kitchen		Living Room		
	Appliances: fridge, stove, dishwasher, small appliances		ш	Electronics: TV, audio, computers, tablets,
	Cookware			game consoles, home automation
	China, silver, crystal Linens			Furniture: rugs, artwork, accessories
	Furniture: table, chairs, stools, sideboards, buffet tables.			Books, movies, games, collectibles
				Musical instruments

Bathroom		Laundry Room			
	Appliances: hair dryer, curling iron, shaver Towels and linens Toiletries, medications, fragrances		Appliances: washer, dryer, iron Vacuum cleaner		
Basement	Garage and outdoor spaces				
	Appliances: dehumidifier, chest freezer Wine cellar Furniture, electronics Gym equipment Stored items: luggage, sports equipment, decorations		Tools, tires, lawnmower, trimmer, snow blower, heaters Camping equipment Barbecue Bicycles Patio furniture Pool or hot tub equipment		
 A few more tips: Record a video walk-through of your home, verbally describing items as you go. Take individual pictures of special items, or entire rooms, including brands, models and serial numbers. Keep copies of important documents, including receipts, appraisals, warranties, proofs of purchase and serial numbers with your inventory. Ideally, store everything in a safety deposit box or other secure place away from the house. Store a version of your inventory somewhere other than your computer in case it's stolen or damaged; for example, a cloud drive such as OneDrive or Google Drive. Reviewing your home insurance policy yearly, with the help of an experienced advisor, is a great way to make sure you have the right amount of coverage for your home and contents. 					

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