



How to Rate the Dirt Code in Your Home

Assessing the level of dirt in your home is key to us giving you a good estimate for your initial cleaning.

1 – 2 is Immaculate – You never see any dirt because it is cleaned on a weekly basis. *Nothing ever looks dirty, including the woodwork, miniblinds, windowsills. The kitchen and bathrooms always look and feel clean.*

3 – 4 is Well Maintained - Your home still does not look dirty because it is cleaned on a bi-weekly basis and your cleaner cleans and maintains your whole home. You see little to no dust, very little soap scum in the bathroom and no mildew in the shower.

5 – 6 is Average – Now you are starting to see a little build up. This is a home cleaned and maintained on a monthly basis. You see a bit of dust, dirt and grime. Not out of control, but time to get it cleaned! Some of the areas in your home will need handwashing, but most areas need light cleaning.

Now we start to get into the real Dirt Codes.

7 – 8 means Extra Effort Needed – **Your home has not been thoroughly cleaned within the last 3-6 months.** You can see visible dust, dirt and grime. You can see dust on your woodwork, blinds, windowsills and furniture. The stove area might be a bit greasy or grimy. You see some soap scum and mildew in your bathrooms. Everything must be hand washed or even scrubbed to get it cleaned to the cleaning standard you are looking for.

9 – 10 means Major Effort Needed – **Your home has not been thoroughly cleaned in longer than 6 months.** This home needs a lot of effort and elbow grease to bring it back up to the cleaning standards you are looking for. It has not been cleaned in a while. If you swipe your fingers across the woodwork or blinds you see thick dust. The kitchen area might be tacky sticky. You definitely see a lot of soap scum and mildew in the bathrooms and your floors are really dirty. This home will need a lot of extra attention to get it up to the cleaning standards you are looking for.

And, then there is 11. 11 is “Oh Boy! Just Oh Boy!” It really needs a whole lot of effort. **And, while we can clean a home that is rated an 11, we need to see it first. And we can do that in zoom.**

Not to worry! The good news is that if your home is rated higher than average, we can bring it back up to the cleaning standard you are looking for. We find this in many of the first-time cleanings that we do because people are just busy! They don't have time to clean that's why people hire Executive Maids. We are the solution to most people's cleaning dilemmas!