Age Friendly Communities in Small Towns Project: Home Owner's Checklist (Downloadable Hard Copy)



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ategory	Question	Response	
	Wide doorways - min 820mm	Yes 🗆	No 🗖
Doors, Windows, Lighting and Floors	Levered door handles	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Lightweight doors	Yes 🗖	No 🗖
	Doors that swing freely in high traffic areas	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Natural lighting (without obstruction such as curtains not able to be pulled far enough back)	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Windows that are easy to operate	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Light switches and power points about 1m off floor with large push pads	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Wall uplighters illuminate the ceiling and provide reflective light throughout a room	Yes 🗖	No 🗖
	High colour contrast between walls and floors	Yes 🗖	No 🗖
	Low pile, securely fastened carpet or flat flooring such as tiles, wooden floors or vinyl. Non-slip underlay if any rugs	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Handrail near steps	Yes 🗖	No 🗖
	Contrast strip on stair treads	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Remote controlled reverse cycle air conditioning throughout (if applicable)	Yes 🗖	No 🗖
	Wide, flat path to home - easy access for gophers (mobility scooters), wheelchairs etc	Yes 🗖	No 🗖
	Under cover entry with level threshold	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
ntry and	Sensor lighting focusing on front door lock	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
Halls	Shelf or seat near entrance	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Wide and well-lit halls	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Peep hole or side light to improve security	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Adjustable height counters or multi-level counters	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Ample open space under counter areas for seats	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Pot drawers instead of cupboards	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Height adjustable and slide out/pull down shelving in pantry/cupboards	Yes 🗆	
	Lazy Susans (turntables) in corner shelves	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Large, easy grip 'D' shape handles that contrast with cupboards	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Sliding doors to overhead cupboards	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Glass front cabinets or open shelves for frequent use	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
Kitchen	Accented stripes on counter edges and rounded corners	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Heat resistant bench tops	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Ovens with side opening doors	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Stove controls on side	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Safety power cut mechanism for stoves	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Mixer lever tap with anti-scald device on sink	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Microwave at counter height	Yes 🗆	No 🗆 No 🗆
	Task lighting such as continuous lighting below overhead cupboards or over sink	Yes 🗆	
	Dishwasher height set to minimise strain of loading and unloading	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Hand held height adjustable showerheads on flexible hose	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	No step into shower (hobless)	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
Bathrooms	Allow sufficient space for a shower seat	Yes 🗆	
	Wall hung sink	Yes 🗆	No 🗆 No 🗖
	Lever mix taps with anti-scald device	Yes 🗆	
	Non-slip floors Bathroom/toilet doors open outwards	Yes 🗆	
	Contrast colour of toilet seat with floor and pan	Yes 🗆	
	Reinforced walls around toilets, showers and baths (allows for installation of grab rails if needed)	Yes 🗖	No 🗆

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Bedrooms	Adjustable wardrobe shelves and rods	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Light in wardrobe	Yes 🗆	No 🗖
	Ability to see ensuite toilet from bed	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
Studies and Activity Areas	Many power points, mid wall	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Flexible space (eg could be converted to another bedroom for future caregiver if needed)	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
Exteriors and Garages - Security	Avoid high walls facing the street that can provide possible hiding places within yards	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Clear, large, easy to see street numbers (e.g. painted on kerb)	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Clear sight from doors / windows / paths to yard to improve security by eliminating possible hiding places	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Security insect screens on doors and windows	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Security locks for meter boxes	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
Exteriors and Garages - Gardens	Raised garden beds	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
	Low maintenance, water wise shrubs and plants (For ideas go to: http://www.watercorporation.com.au/save-water/in- the-garden)	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Reticulated garden, lawn and pot plants for easy and efficient watering	Yes 🗖	No 🗆
Exteriors and Garages - Other	Gutter guards to minimise the need to clean gutters and the potential for overflows into the ceiling cavity	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Low maintenance housing materials e.g. vinyl cladding, brick	Yes 🗆	No 🗆
	Wide, well-lit, slip-resistant paths	Yes 🗆	No 🗆