



KITCHEN REMODELING CHECKLIST

1. Establish a realistic budget.

Things to decide about your kitchen remodeling budget will include the following:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Cabinetry & Hardware | <input type="checkbox"/> Lighting |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Appliances & Ventilation | <input type="checkbox"/> Doors & Windows |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Countertops | <input type="checkbox"/> Faucets & Plumbing |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Backsplash | <input type="checkbox"/> Design Fee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Flooring Walls & Ceilings | <input type="checkbox"/> Installation Cost |

2. Consider priorities and desired layout.

As we usually do not have an unlimited budget prioritize the items in the list above. Does the layout of your space need to be changed by removing walls, moving appliances etc. Ask your contractor if the remodeling can be done in phases in needed to stay within your budget.

3. Choose a contractor who can design and build.

Find a reputable contractor who offers design-build services. Copartner with them to help you spend wisely and to make your remodeling experience efficient. Express your priorities and allow them to design your kitchen.

- Good reputation
- Years of Experience
- Check BBB rating & Reviews
- Their website projects

4. Receive a proposed estimate.

This will be based on the desired layout but will not be final until selections are chosen. Allowances can be provided with budget in mind for the items you have not selected.

5. Make selections for the various components.

Work with your designer to make choices for your new kitchen to fit in the proposed space and to coordinate with your personal style.

6. Discuss timeline for project and procedures such as:

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| • Keeping site clean and safe | • Changes during process |
| • Temporary kitchen set up | • Payment Plan |
| • Communication | • Warranties |



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Things to think about that many homeowners may not consider:

- Choose to remodel during a season that will cause the least amount of stress on the family. Many families choose summer when schedules are less structured. What is best for yours?
- Communication and chemistry with your contractor are important to build a good relationship. They will be in your home day in and day out for weeks from early morning and a comfort level with children and pets is important.
- Answers to questions regarding keeping the driveway clear, debris removal, lavatory needs for workers, care for pets when coming and going, respect and comfort for your neighbors during the process are important.
- What are Homeowners Association requirements and do they require approval in advance of moving forward with construction. Many HOA by-laws state that they review design plans of construction especially if exterior walls are affected.
- Are there benefits in purchasing products such as cabinets, tops, hardware, flooring, and such from the contractor if available?



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