Apartment Inspection Checklist

For first time apartment hunters and old hands alike, checking out potential places can be a daunting task. So much stuff to remember! Let us make it easier for you—here's a checklist of some things to consider during your apartment hunt:

Terms and Conditions	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Date available				
Deposit				
Pet rules/deposit				
Late payment charges				
Length of lease				
Penalty for breaking lease				
Physical changes allowed				
Rent amount				
Rent due				
Subletting				
Utilities included				
Water				
Heat				
Garbage				
Other				
Apartment	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Air conditioning				
Ample outlets				
Bedroom privacy				
Blinds/curtains				
Cable TV connection				
Carpet				
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Water pressure				
Kitchen	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Age of refrigerator				
Counter space				
Dishwasher				
Garbage disposal				
Gas/electric stove				
Microwave				
Smoothly opening drawers				
Community	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Laundry facilities				
Loud garbage chute nearby				
Noise level				
Parking				
Bike racks				
Elevators/stairs proximity				
Roof access				
Soundproof walls				
Mailbox				
Safety	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Emergency exits				
Fire extinguishers				
Functioning windows				
Gated entrance				
Intercom				
Lead hazards				
Locks on all doors				
Outside lighting				
Screens				
Smoke detectors				
Neighborhood	Unit 1	Unit 2	Unit 3	Unit 4
Average community age				
Public transportation proximity				
Distance from school/work				
Proximity of grocery, bank, post office, etc.				