

Closet Edit Checklist

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Supplies

- Sturdy hangers (matching if possible)
- 3 bins: Keep, Donate/Sell, Tailor/Mend
- Laundry basket + lint roller
- Mirror, measuring tape
- Labels/marker + size dividers (optional)

Quick Rules

- One category at a time (tops → bottoms → layers → shoes → accessories).
- Try-on test: fit, comfort, confidence — keep only 'yes' items.
- Duplicates? Keep the best condition, donate the rest.
- Stained/torn? Trash or move to tailor pile immediately.
- Use the one-in/one-out rule going forward.

1) Empty & Group (15–20 min)

- Pull out one category at a time; place on bed or rack.
- Quick dust/vacuum shelves and wipe rods.
- Set up bins for Donate/Sell and Tailor/Mend.

2) The Fit Test (20–30 min)

- Try on questionable items; move 'maybe' into a short hold bin.
- If it pulls, rides up, or needs constant adjustment — let it go.
- Check shoes for comfort, soles, and scuffs.

3) Edit by Lifestyle (15–25 min)

- Match wardrobe to current life (work, home, events).
- Limit special-occasion items; keep versatile pieces.
- Remove trend items you haven't worn in 12 months.

4) Curate Core Wardrobe (20–30 min)

- Keep 8–12 favorite tops, 4–6 bottoms, 2–3 layers per season (adjust as needed).

- Select neutral base + 2 accent colors for easy mixing.
- Photograph 5 go-to outfits for quick reference.

5) Hangers & Zones (20–30 min)

- Swap to matching hangers; face all hooks the same way.
- Zone left→right: work, casual, dressy, outerwear.
- Add size/type dividers if helpful (S/M/L or Tops/Bottoms).

6) Folded Items (10–15 min)

- Use file-fold for tees and knits; store vertically.
- Limit duplicates; keep best-quality basics front and center.

7) Shoes & Accessories (15–20 min)

- Keep only comfortable, season-appropriate pairs accessible.
- Corral accessories in bins: belts, scarves, hats, jewelry.
- Match lone socks or discard after a week in a 'strays' bag.

8) Tailor/Mend & Laundry (10–15 min)

- Bag tailor items; schedule a date within 7 days.
- Start a laundry load for keepers needing wash.

9) Donate/Sell (10–15 min)

- Box donations; place in car now.
- Photograph sell items; list with a 7-day deadline.

10) Maintenance (5 min weekly)

- Sunday 5-minute sweep: rehang, return strays, stage laundry.
- Flip hanger trick: turn a hanger forward only after wearing; review untouched items monthly.