

## **TEAR OUT PREPARATION**

Thank you for choosing Stokes Granite & Stone, Inc. for your stone project and tear out. We will do our best to minimize the amount of dust and damage during the tear out process.

Before your demo appointment, please be sure complete the preparations below:

- 1. Remove all items from lower drawers and cabinets. You do not need to remove items from the upper cabinets but you may want to tape them shut with blue painter's tape to prevent dust from getting into the cabinets. (We recommend first testing the tape in an inconspicuous place to make sure that it does not damage your cabinets). If you have China or other fragile items in your upper cabinets we recommend removing them. Please be sure that cleaning products, etc. are cleared out from under your sink as we will need access to disconnect the plumbing.
- 2. Remove everything from your countertops and take down anything from the walls in the immediate vicinity. If you have pictures or mirrors hanging on the backside of a shared wall, we recommend securing or removing them as well.

Stokes Granite & Stone, Inc. is not responsible for the following items:

- 1. Removal of upper and/or lower cabinets.
- 2. Plumbing (shut off valves & plumbing water lines to faucets). We will disconnect your sink and faucet, but we are not licensed plumbers and cannot reconnect them.

a. If Stokes Granite & Stone, Inc. disconnects the sink and is not able to stop the water valve, you will need contact a plumber. This is a very rare occurrence.

b. You will need to allow of 24 hours of drying time before reconnecting your plumbing following installation.

3. Electrical (under counter lights & electrical outlets).

a. The homeowner/contractor is responsible for disconnecting and reconnecting the electrical outlets, otherwise a charge of \$25/light will apply.

- 4. Damage to the sheetrock (Stokes can fix the sheetrock at an additional charge of \$65/ hour). Sheetrock will be replaced but no texture or painting will be done.
- 5. Superficial paint chipping.
- 6. Modifications to cabinetry for apron/farm sinks or any other reason.

## Mirrors:

Stokes Granite & Stone, Inc. will do their best to remove the tile countertops without damaging the mirrors. If the mirrors are damaged during the tear out process, Stokes Granite & Stone, Inc. is not responsible for repair or replacement of the mirrors. In the event that a mirror is damaged, Stokes Granite & Stone, Inc. will remove the mirror. Stokes Granite & Stone, Inc. is not responsible for damage to the wall, but can fix the sheetrock if necessary for a charge of \$65/hour.