

WHAT'S INCLUDED IN THE SALE OF A HOUSE?

Contracts commonly used in Texas home sales state that the house, fixtures, improvements, and accessories are part of the sale. Here are examples of what stays and goes.



GOES WITH THE SELLER



STAYS WITH THE PROPERTY

Table lamp

Television

Potted plant

Bed

Couch

Dining room table

Area rug

Lawn mower

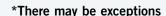
Hammock

Patio grill*

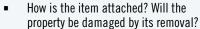
Bookcase*

Washer and dryer*

Paintings and decorations



Certain items stay or go depending on whether they're permanently installed and built-in.
Freestanding clothes washers and dryers go with the seller, but built-in units would likely stay. A grill on wheels on the patio leaves, but one that's encased in stone as part of outdoor kitchen stays put. Three factors determine if something is permanently installed and built-in:



- Is the item customized or standard for the property?
- Was the installation intended to be permanent or temporary?



Stove

Wall-to-wall carpeting

Ceiling fan

Television wall mount

Chandelier

Window shutters

Smoke detectors

Curtains/drapes and rods

Blinds and window shades

Garage door opener

Shrubbery and landscaping

Window airconditioning unit





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