

How to Safely Remove a Wall - Printable Checklist

1. Determine if the wall is load-bearing.
2. Obtain necessary permits or approvals (if required).
3. Turn off power to any electrical outlets or switches in the wall.
4. Shut off plumbing lines connected to the wall (if any).
5. Remove trim, baseboards, and any attached fixtures.
6. Cut and remove drywall carefully to expose studs and wiring.
7. Cap electrical wires or reroute with professional help.
8. Install temporary support walls if the wall is load-bearing.
9. Remove wall studs and framing elements.
10. Patch flooring, ceiling, and walls as needed.
11. Dispose of debris safely and legally.
12. Call in professionals for structural or electrical work if unsure.
13. Inspect the work and finish with paint, trim, or flooring repairs.