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TEARDOWN · FREE GUIDE

GET YOUR EVENINGS BACK

The on-site capture playbook: a teardown of where the hours go

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We organise and evidence the property's condition and produce the audit-ready pack.

Why We Made This

If you run inspections all day, the visit was never the problem. The write-up is. It follows you home and eats the evening. We pulled the day apart, step by step, to show where the time leaks, so the report's done when you leave the property.

The Old Way, Pulled Apart

The visit

You walk the property, camera in one hand, notes in the other. Photos land in the camera roll with no labels. You jot shorthand you'll have to decode later. By the third job you can't remember which kitchen was which.

The gap

Photos on the phone, notes on paper, the checklist in your head. Nothing's tied together yet. The report doesn't exist, it's a pile of raw material.

The evening

This is where it hurts. You match photos to rooms from memory, write it up long-hand, chase the one shot you forgot to take, and reformat it to look consistent. On our modelling a write-up like this runs about three hours a report. Multiply that by a full day of jobs and you can see where the week went.

The Better Way, Same Visit

Capture in order, on site

Work the property in a fixed sequence so nothing gets skipped. Photograph each item as you reach it and tie the shot to the item there and then, not later. The label happens at the point of capture, so there's nothing to decode at home.

Let it stop you leaving with a gap

The strongest fix is a capture that won't let you finish until it's complete. No blank items, no missing rooms, no second trip. You leave the property with the record whole.

Produce at the door

With everything captured and tied as you went, the report and the audit-ready pack build at one click before you're back in the van. On our modelling that same write-up drops to roughly twenty-five to thirty minutes, most of it already done on site.

Before And After, Per Report (Our Modelling)

Rough figures, and we can show the workings.

Step	Old way	Better way
On-site capture	40 min	45 min
Sorting photos	25 min	0 min
Write-up at home	90 min	20 min
Chasing missed shots	20 min	0 min
Formatting	15 min	0 min
Per report	~3 hours	~25 to 30 min

The visit takes about the same, or a touch longer because you're tying as you go. Everything after the visit is where the hours come back.

Grow Without Dropping The Standard

Because the sequence is fixed and the capture won't let a gap through, anyone on the team can run it to the same standard. You're not the bottleneck any more, and the quality doesn't ride on who turned up.

How To Onboard A Junior To The Same Standard

Bringing someone new up to speed usually means months of shadowing and a dip in quality. Here's how to shortcut it.

- Give them the route, not a lecture. The fixed sequence is the training. Have them work the same order every time from day one.
- Let the capture correct them. If the tool won't finish with a blank, the new starter learns the standard by doing, not by being marked afterwards.
- Review the first handful together. Sit with their first few packs, not to redo them, but to point at what good capture looks like. After that the record speaks for itself.
- Judge on the pack, not the person. Because everyone produces the same organised output, you can see a junior's work is up to standard without having been on the visit.

Onboarding stops being about trust built over months and becomes about a standard the process holds for you.

The One Line

Do the work once, on site, in order. Let the report write itself. Get the evening back.

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HOW HOUSECOMPLY HELPS YOU

The inspection becomes the finished report at one button.

Every hour in that table after the visit is admin we take off you.



Time back.

Capture on site, and the write-up is mostly done before you leave.



Nothing missed.

The app won't let you finish with a gap, so no second trips.



Audit-ready as you go.

Photos tied to items and dated as you walk.



Grows with the team.

Anyone runs it to the same standard, so you can hire without slowing down.

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THE POINT

Want To See It On One Of Yours?

We'll set your first property up inspection-ready, free. See a sample report: <https://www.housecomply.co.uk/property-compliance-report-sample.html>. No pitch, just a look.

The screenshot shows the HouseComply dashboard for a user named Dominic Pullen. The dashboard is divided into several sections:

- NAVIGATE:** A sidebar menu with links to Home, Properties, Inspections, Audits, and Account.
- Audits:** A main section with a description: "Hold your company details and evidence packs, and assemble an audit-ready pack when a body asks. We assemble what you hold and draft for your review — we never assess compliance or submit on your behalf."
- AVAILABLE NOW:** A section for the "Rent Smart Wales Audit Pack" which is included on the user's plan.
- COMING SOON:** Two sections for "England — selective licensing" and "HMO licensing", both of which are coming soon.
- COMING SOON:** A section for "More audits coming" for further regions and regulators.
- Your progress:** A progress bar showing 52% of details filled in. Below the bar, it says: "This shows how much of your information is filled in — not an assessment of your audit or whether you'll pass. Open one part at a time; everything saves as you go."
- Produce my RSW audit pack →:** A green button to produce the audit pack.
- We'll fill your RSW forms from everything above and draft them for your review.**
- Company details:** A section for "Your firm's licence and contact details" with a "✓ Done" status.
- Business safeguards:** A section for "Client money protection, indemnity, redress, deposits" with a "✓ Done" status.
- Branches:** A section for "Your offices and what each one does" with a "Not started" status.
- Staff:** A section for "People who do letting or management work" with a "Not started" status.
- Working practices:** A section for "How your firm does things, in your own words" with a "✓ Done" status.
- Documents & evidence:** A section for "Your certificates and what's on file" with a status of "4 of 32 on file".
- Prep & download:** A section for "Fill your RSW forms from everything above" with a status of "Open when ready".
- Your policies:** A section for "Adapt, confirm and download your branded policies" with a status of "8 confirmed".

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