

Moving Check List



8-12 weeks before you move

- Contact moving companies.** If you will be hiring a mover, obtain quotes from at least three moving companies. .
- Pare down and sort:** Donate, recycle or throw out what you don't want to move. Start sorting items.
- Organize records.** Transfer school records; contact your insurance agent to update property, auto, medical and other insurance records.
- Start your own "moving manual."** Start a binder containing an inventory of your household items, moving estimates, or other important receipts to keep information in one place.
- Start looking for new doctors, dentists, etc.** From doctors, dentists, and veterinarians to banks and landscapers, it pays to investigate new service providers earlier rather than later.

4-6 weeks before you move

- Order supplies and start packing.** Order boxes and other supplies such as tape, bubble wrap and markers. Pack things you won't need first. Set goals.
- Contact utilities, cable, etc.** Arrange to have services connected and disconnected now to avoid date/time conflicts.
- Obtain change of address forms.** You can do this online at www.USPS.com or at your local post office.
- Schedule routine medical appointments.** Doctor, dentist and vet visits may be hard to schedule for a while.
- Take measurements and map out.** Give advance thought and planning to where things will go in your new home. Make sure larger pieces of furniture will fit through the door.
- Arrange for pet care.** Make sure your pets are taken care of during the move and when you are unpacking.

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1-2 weeks before you move

- Confirm details with the moving company.** Make sure you have their contact information and they have yours.
- Organize key documents.** You should carry with you original passports, deeds, financial statements and other critical documents. Make copies of them as well.
- Refill prescriptions.** Forward medical records if needed.
- Gather keys/alarms codes/garage door openers.** Keep all of these in one easy place to hand over to new owners.
- Arrange for cleaning.** That includes your new home and existing home cleaned. Remember to defrost your freezer.
- Confirm closing/move-in dates with your real estate agent and mover.**
- Clean out any safe deposit boxes.** Also, be sure to carry any valuables with you.

Moving day

- Make sure you have a moving day survival kit.** These are items you will need upon arrival at your new home: bottled water, dishes, toilet paper, trash bags, pet food, toys for younger children, a couple of days of clothing.
- Check the moving inventory list and sign it.** You should also read the Bill of Lading carefully and sign it.
- Do the walk-through with your real estate agent.** Be sure to ask for all appliance manuals/warranties and instruction booklets.



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