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HOUSE MOVING GUIDE

THE ULTIMATE GUIDE FOR YOUR HOUSE
MOVING PROJECT

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Moving Checklist

3-6 Weeks Before

- Make a moving inventory list
- Plan your move and estimate your moving costs
- Contact utility providers and schedule disconnection
- Transfer your child's school and medical records
- Declutter your home before moving
- Plan on packing fragile items before moving
- Prepare your packing materials

1-2 Weeks Before

- Organize packing and make travel arrangements
- Use color coded moving box labels
- Pack non-essential items first
- Safeguard critical documents and valuables for moving
- Take photos of any high-ticket items for loss and damage claims
- Request a change-of-address from your local post office
- Send out new address announcements to family and friends
- Request time off work for moving day

2-7 Days Before

- Continue packing and clean as you go
- Pack essential items separately
- Keep the weight of the boxes reasonable
- Dispose all flammables
- Make your move-in day plan
- Empty and defrost your fridge before moving out
- Give your contact details to old neighbors to forward mail

Moving Day (Current Place)

- Disassemble your bed for moving
- Supervise your movers as they pack up
- Do the final walkthrough
- Make sure the movers have your complete and correct new address
- Shut off lights, water and air conditioner

Moving Day (New Place)

- Verify utilities are working in your new house
- Perform an initial inspection and note all damages
- Clean and vacuum your new place
- Unpack and start with necessities

Moving In (1-2 Weeks)

- Check for damages while unpacking, go for insurance claims if needed
- Replace all locks if necessary
- Ensure your mail can reach you at your new address
- Update your homeowner's insurance if needed

Moving Life Hacks

- Use toilet paper tubes to keep wires and cables organized.
- Cover toiletry bottles with plastic wrap to avoid spilling during the move.
- Leave your clothes on the hanger and wrap them in garbage bags.
- Take a picture of the wiring setup of electronics to ease the re-assemble process.
- Cut a small triangle on both sides of the boxes to make lifting easier.
- Pack dishes sideways so they are less likely to break.
- Store your spices and other kitchen stuff in pots.
- Roll up your clothing instead of folding to avoid wrinkles.
- Stuff your shoes with small stuff such as socks to protect their shape.
- Tape an X shape across the mirror with tape to prevent them from shattering.
- Ideally, the boxes shouldn't exceed 50 pounds.
- Pack light but bulky items with vacuum-sealable bags.
- Label the tops and sides of the boxes to make them easy to identify.
- Use binder clips to guard razor blades.
- Remove toner and ink cartridges from the printer.
- Load heavier items towards the front and items you will need first toward the back.
- Cover your mattress with a pair of fitted sheets.
- Place a rubber band around the doorknob to avoid lockout.
- Put jewelry in egg cartons to keep them from knotting and tangling.
- Insert a cotton ball in makeup compacts to keep them from breaking.

Moving with Kids and Pets

Moving with Kids

- Talk to your kids about the move and have a short discussion with all family members.
- Stay positive with the move and this will influence your kids' view on the move as well.
- Revisiting a kid's favorite neighborhood spots before moving away can be a great way for them to say farewell.
- Involve your kids in the house moving planning process.
- Choose to move either during the summer or mid-winter so school isn't disrupted.
- Get a sitter to watch your kids while you are in the process of moving.
- Explore the new neighborhood together.
- Set up your child's new room first and encourage them to set up their room by themselves.

Moving with Pets

- Get your pets a checkup and a copy of medical history.
- Get moving tips from a veterinarian, ask for anxiety medication if needed.
- Update pet's tags.
- Keep your pet's favorite toy in the crate with them.
- Make sure your pet is well-accustomed to their crate before moving day to reduce stress for all involved.
- Keep them in a separate, quiet room until everything is well packed.
- Go for a walk with your dogs around the new neighborhood a couple times.

Moving Inventory

Living Room

- Coffee table
- Side table
- Cabinet
- Lamp
- Rug
- Curtains
- Book Shelves
- Sofa

- Chairs
- Stereo system
- Wall Shelves

Dining Room & Kitchen

- Dining Table
- Chairs
- Barbeque grill
- Cabinet
- Dishwasher
- Refrigerator
- Stool
- Stove
- Microware
- Table
- Blender
- Dishes
- Pots / Pans
- Cutleries
- Utensils
- Glassware

Laundry Room

- Dryer
- Iron
- Ironing board
- Washing machine

Bedroom 1

- Bed frame
- Mattress
- Nightstands
- Dresser
- Desk
- Mirror
- Rug
- Curtains
- Wall Shelves
- Clothes

Bathroom 1

- Mirror
- Toothbrush
- Hair dryer
- Razor
- Scale
- Towels

Bedroom 2

- Bed frame
- Mattress
- Nightstands
- Dresser
- Desk
- Mirror
- Rug
- Curtains
- Wall Shelves
- Clothes

Bathroom 2

- Mirror
- Toothbrush
- Hair dryer
- Razor
- Scale
- Towels

Bedroom 3

- Bed frame
- Mattress
- Nightstands
- Dresser
- Desk
- Mirror
- Rug
- Curtains
- Wall Shelves

- Clothes

Miscellaneous

- Air conditioner
- Aquarium
- Clock
- Exercise equipment
- Fan
- Golf bag
- Musical instrument
- Sewing machine
- Vacuum cleaner
- Garden tools
- Printer

Moving Cost

- Moving Truck / Containers : \$ _____
- Movers : \$ _____
- Moving Supplies : \$ _____
- Real Estate Fees : \$ _____
- Cleaners : \$ _____
- Repairmen : \$ _____
- Utility Deposit : \$ _____

Cancel and Set Up Utilities

- Electricity
- Water
- Gas
- Cable
- Internet
- Insurance
- School and Childcare
- Home Service

Declutter Your Home

- Donate Unwanted Things
- Sell Valuables on eBay
- Consign Clothing
- Shred Sensitive Paperwork

Moving Supplies

- Small Cardboard Boxes x _____
- Medium Cardboard Boxes x _____
- Large Cardboard Boxes x _____
- Packing Tape x _____
- Packing Tape Dispenser
- Box Cutter/ Knife
- Garbage Bag
- Newsprint Paper
- Foam Wrap
- Bubble Cushioning Wrap
- Box Labels Stickers
- Fragile Stickers
- Rubber Bands
- Mattress Cover
- Pens
- Stretch Film
- Measuring Tape
- Rope
- Gloves
- Cleaning Supplies
- Blankets

Change of Address Notices

- Friends & Family
- Newspaper & magazines Subscriptions
- Investment Firms
- Health Care Providers
- Credit Card Companies
- Banks

Flammable Items

- Aerosol Cans
- Propane Tanks
- Ammunition
- Fireworks
- Oil Cans / Paints / Thinner
- Household Liquids

Moving Day Essential Items

- Scissors/ Knife
- Garbage Bags
- Portable Tool Kit
- Flashlight
- Toilet Paper
- Clothes & Towel
- Toiletries
- Cleanser (Dishwasher + Soap + Detergent)
- Snack / instant coffee
- Mug / Plate / Cutlery
- Important Documents