

MOVING CHECKLIST

2 Months Before

- Get estimates from moving companies/rental trucks if DIY.
- Create moving budget
- Create a moving binder for your lists, important information, receipts, quotes, etc.
- Sort through clothes, books, kitchen items, boxes in storage, etc. and de-junk/donate/throw away what you don't want to move.

6 Weeks Before

- Arrange to have kids school records transferred
- Plan and hold a garage sale or sell unwanted stuff online
- Start using up items in the freezer/fridge
- If moving far away, get your families medical records
- Schedule moving company or truck rental
- Schedule piano movers. Plan how to move fragile items

5 Weeks Before

- Start getting free, used boxes from stores, free yard sale ads, or buy them
- Buy at least 2 packing tape guns, lots of packing tape, and sharpies
- Start packing things you won't need for awhile: books, little used items in the kitchen, extra linens, out of season clothes, dvds
- Clearly label boxes with the room name and important items in it
- Start deep cleaning the rooms in your house
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4 Weeks Before

- Finish up any minor house repairs
- Set a goal to pack 2-3 boxes per day. Continue deep cleaning
- Notify utility companies of your disconnect date (1 day after your move) and your connect date for your new place (A couple days before your move).
 - Electric
 - Water

- Sewer
 - Gas
 - Home Phone
 - Cell Phone
 - Internet/Cable
 - Homeowners Insurance, Auto Insurance
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2 Weeks Before

- Complete change-of-address form with the post office at usps.com
 - Notify magazine subscriptions, dentist, doctors, credit cards, banks, and any regular services you have
 - Clean outdoor furniture and get it ready to move
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1 Week Before

- Drain gasoline from lawn mower and any other equipment
 - Remove light bulbs from lamps you plan to move
 - Return any library books
 - Pack kitchen, bathrooms, bedrooms. Anything you don't need for the next week or two.
 - Set aside a bucket of cleaning supplies to use for last minute clean ups, plenty of toilet paper, paper towels, paper plates, plastic utensils, lysol wipes
 - Measure doorways and take apart furniture that won't fit
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A Couple Days Before

- Keep keys, garage door openers, and any appliance manuals or warranties in a separate box labeled for new owners
 - Pack a week's worth of clothes, prescriptions, etc. into suitcases.
 - Drain water hoses
 - Defrost fridge and freezer at least 24 hours before the move
 - Have carpet cleaned at your new place
 - Finish packing anything that is left
 - Refill prescriptions
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Moving Day

- Put down floor and doorway protectors
- Leave a note for new owners with your new address so mail can be forwarded to you easily
- Walk through house to check that nothing was left, turn off lights, shut windows, and lock the doors
- Put keys, garage door openers, and any appliance manuals or warranties in a separate box labeled for new owners
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After Your Move

- Register to Vote
- Change address with the DMV and get new driver's license
- Let your friends and family know your new address
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