



MOVING CHECKLIST

- Start sorting items you will take with you and others you will give away, throw away, or sell.
- Create a folder for all of your moving-related information and expenses.
- Check with your tax professional to see if your moving expenses are tax-deductible.
- Notify the post office, newspapers, magazines, credit card companies, family, and friends about your upcoming move.
- Contact the telephone, cable, electric, and Internet providers at your old home to arrange disconnection of services on the day after your move.
- Contact your new telephone, cable, electric, and Internet providers to arrange connection of services on the day before your move.
- Make a list of repairs needed in your old home, and arrange for the work to be completed before the move.
- Start packing as soon as you can. Remember to label each box with a description of contents and desired room location to speed up the unpacking process.
- Schedule your garage or yard sale and arrange to drop off items you're giving to local charities.
- Make personal travel arrangements for the move.
- Arrange for transporting pets, houseplants, and anything else the movers can't take.
- Start cleaning out your refrigerator and freezer. Put baking soda or charcoal inside to keep these appliances smelling fresh.
- Contact your insurance company to either initiate or update a renters' insurance policy.
- Transfer all prescriptions to a drugstore near your new home.
- Pay all outstanding bills and be sure to indicate your new address on payment receipts.
- Empty your safety deposit box and arrange for a new safety deposit box at a bank near your new home.
- Give the movers directions to your new home. Include your contact information, including your cell phone number, new home phone number, and an emergency contact.
- Give your old home a thorough cleaning.
- Pack linens and other things you will need immediately in boxes labeled "Open First, Load Last."
- Do a final walkthrough to ensure that everything has been packed.