

# Moving Checklist

## 8 Weeks Before You Move

- Ensure all plans and paperwork for your new home are completed and secured
- Determine whether you will move yourself or use professional movers
- Research and request estimates from moving companies
- Create a budget for moving, which should include cost of moving supplies, transportation, and potential professional help in relocating
- Create a digital or hard file to track important moving documents such as receipts, as well as important medical, dental, school, and financial records

## 7 Weeks Before You Move

- If applicable, begin requesting and collecting medical, dental, prescription, and veterinary records
- Compile copies of financial and legal records
- If applicable, request school records to be transferred
- If applicable, cancel or transfer gym membership
- Contact insurance agent to see if adjustments need to be made for a new policy

## 6 Weeks Before You Move

- Determine whether to ship or personally transport costly and valuable items
- Begin taking inventory of all your items and separate into nonessential, essential, and unneeded/unwanted categories
- Discard broken, irreparable, or other unwanted items
- Start planning a garage sale for unwanted items
- Begin consuming perishables and using other products that cannot be moved or shipped

## 5 Weeks before you move

- Purchase or collect moving supplies
- Begin packing, starting with nonessential items and clearly label boxes, including what room it will be placed in once moved, such as bedroom, kitchen, or living room
- File a change of address with the U.S. Postal Service or request them to hold mail at the post office in your new neighborhood

## 4 Weeks Before You Move

- Notify utility services at your current and new locations of relocation. Utility services should include:
  - Electric
  - Water
  - Gas
  - Cellular/Telephone
  - Cable/Satellite
  - Internet
  - Sewer
  - Waste Management
- Make reservation for moving truck or professional movers
- If self-moving, notify family, friends, and other help of the moving date
- If applicable, reserve a self storage unit to help with the moving process
- Have the garage sale for unwanted or outgrown items
- If you have pets, determine or make travel arrangements for them.

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## 3 Weeks Before You Move

- Find a company that will dispose of unused flammables, corrosives, poisons, and other items that cannot be shipped, except for food.
- Donate or discard any unsold items from the garage sale
- If driving a long distance for your move, have your vehicles serviced

## 2 Weeks Before You Move

Begin notifying the following services of the move:

### FINANCIAL AND LEGAL SERVICES:

- Accountant
- Attorney
- Bank/Credit Union
- Credit Card Companies
- Car Insurance Provider
- Car Loan Provider
- Financial Planner

### MEDICAL SERVICES:

- Doctor
- Dentist
- Veterinarian
- Health Insurance Provider
- Pharmacy

### MEMBERSHIPS AND SUBSCRIPTIONS:

- Magazine Subscriptions
- Newspaper
- Video Streaming such as Netflix, if you are subscribed to the mailing service

### GOVERNMENT OFFICES:

- Social Security Administration
- IRS
- Veterans Administration

- Confirm travel arrangements for family and pets
- Confirm moving date with movers, friends family, or other help
- Create a meal plan for the next two weeks, aiming to consume all perishable foods in current home
- Assemble a file of important information about current home for the next owner

## 1 Week Before You Move

- Review moving plans
- Give new address to friends and family
- Pack remaining essential items
- Pack personal essentials in a box to keep nearby during move
- Fill any prescriptions needed during the move
- Drain gas, oil, and other fluids from lawn care equipment, grills, heaters, etc.
- Drain water from hoses
- Take measurements of doorways and furniture to ensure furniture can fit through
- Empty the refrigerator of any food products and defrost at least 24 hours before moving
- Deep clean your living space

### IMPORTANT

Notes, Names, & Numbers

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