

MOVING DAY

The following checklist is designed to help make your moving day as stress free as possible. Don't forget to ask your real estate agent for advice as the big day approaches. They've done this before and can be a tremendously helpful resource for those new to the home selling process.

TWO WEEKS BEFORE MOVE

- Change address on driver's license, auto registration, voter's registration, credit cards and with doctors, veterinarian, utility companies, subscriptions to magazines and newspapers and your employer.
- Notify utility companies the date for final meter reading.
- Submit a postal change of address form online.
- Empty your lawnmower and power tools of fuel, etc.

1-5 DAYS BEFORE MOVE

- Defrost freezer and empty ice maker and ice cube trays.
- Confirm arrival time of movers/pick-up time of rental truck.
- Clean refrigerator, stovetop and oven.
- Gather and clean outdoor furniture.
- Disconnect and drain all appliances if these are moving with you.
- Return cable box, cable modem and DSL modem if necessary.
- Make calendar to plan room-by-room packing and track your progress.
- Pack suitcase of each family member with clothes and toiletries to get through the first three days.
- Have payment for movers ready.
- Use towels, t-shirts and pillows for padding around breakables to save space.
- Confirm travel arrangements.

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- Check that all cupboards, closets, dishwasher and other appliances are empty.
- Ensure parking space for moving van/truck.
- Give movers a tour and instructions for what is being moved.
- Take note of utility meter readings.
- Separate the items you'll move yourself from the items you want the movers to handle.
- Leave a note with your new address in the house so that future residents can forward any stray mail.