

Moving Checklist



1 MONTH PRIOR TO MOVE

- Book a moving company! This is the most important thing to schedule first as moving companies can book up fast, especially for end of month moves.
- Notify your current landlord (if applicable) of your move. Most require 1-2 months notice.
- Start decluttering! Sell or donate items you no longer need
- Start packing non-essential items
- Create a budget for your move, including packing supplies, moving company costs, etc.
- Prepare a list of people that need to be notified of your move i.e utility companies, friends, family etc.
- If you live in an apartment or condo, book the elevator for your moving day

2 WEEKS PRIOR TO MOVE

- Request a 'mail forwarding' service from Canada Post to ensure you don't miss any mail
- Gather moving supplies like boxes, bubble wrap, packing beans, newspaper etc.
- Have rugs, drapery and any items professionally cleaned and wrapped so you can start fresh at your new home

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- Make note of any dents or damage to your furniture. Take pictures, too.
- Continue packing and labeling boxes and items
- Start to clean out your fridge. Tip - make it a goal to use up what you have in your fridge to avoid transporting food.
- Make arrangements to transport pets and plants
- Call utility companies and notify them of your move-in date
- Drain any equipment you are transporting i.e gas from your lawn mower and water from your hose

DAY OF MOVE

- Ensure your driveway or front loading area is clear of other vehicles to give space for the moving truck
- Check for any loose items around the house and pack those into a box
- Ensure all contents are removed from fridge
- Remove linens from bed and pack in plastic bags
- Double check closets, cabinets and drawers for items that may have been missed
- Unplug electronics. Unmount TV.
- Create a pile of boxes deemed 'essential' so movers can pack those last (last in, first out)
- Prepare an 'essential item' box which could include things like clothes for the next day, snacks, toiletries, dish soap, laundry soap, towels and cleaning supplies
- If you were renting, take photos of the condition of the space you left it in.

BEFORE DEPARTING

- Make sure all of the lights are turned off
- Ensure windows are closed and locked
- Turn off the water (if applicable)
- Leave house keys behind in lock box or designated area by landlord/Realtor
- Do one last walk through of the house once movers have packed everything into the truck
- Lock doors

PACKING SUPPLIES YOU MAY NEED

- Packing paper/Newspaper
- Bubble Wrap
- Tape Gun with extra Clear Tape
- Boxes of varying sizes
- Plastic Bins
- Heavy Duty Garbage Bags

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