



ESSENTIAL 8-WEEK MOVING CHECKLIST

Your Move, Our Mission

For a Successful Relocation!

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8-Week Moving Checklist

8 WEEKS BEFORE MOVING

- ☐ Confirm your moving date
- ☐ Book a licensed & insured moving company
- ☐ Notify landlord (if applicable)
- ☐ Create a moving folder for contracts, receipts, and documents
- ☐ Begin decluttering your home
- ☐ Decide what to keep, donate, sell, or discard
- ☐ Ask us about junk removal, furniture removal, or donation services

7 WEEKS BEFORE MOVING

- ☐ Contact children's school(s) regarding transfer requirements
- ☐ Request school and medical records if needed
- ☐ Research new schools, doctors, and childcare providers
- ☐ Measure furniture for your new home
- ☐ Purchase or order new furniture if needed (allow time for delivery)
- ☐ Begin planning furniture placement

6 WEEKS BEFORE MOVING

- ☐ Purchase packing supplies
- ☐ Begin packing non-essential items
- ☐ Label boxes clearly by room and contents
- ☐ Number or color-code boxes
- ☐ Photograph high-value items for records

5 WEEKS BEFORE MOVING

- ☐ Notify employer and request time off for moving day
- ☐ Book flights or hotel accommodations if moving long distance
- ☐ Arrange transportation and care for pets
- ☐ Schedule vehicle maintenance or oil change if driving long distance
- ☐ Reserve a storage unit if any belongings will be placed into storage
- ☐ Continue packing books, décor, and off-season items

4 WEEKS BEFORE MOVING

- ☐ Submit USPS change of address
- ☐ Transfer utilities and home services
- ☐ Update address with banks, credit cards, and subscriptions
- ☐ Refill prescriptions
- ☐ Confirm moving company details
- ☐ Request a Certificate of Insurance (COI) if required by building management
- ☐ Arrange parking permits or elevator access if required

3 WEEKS BEFORE MOVING

- ☐ Pack remaining non-essential rooms and storage areas
- ☐ Consolidate boxes into a staging area if possible
- ☐ Clearly label FRAGILE and high-value boxes
- ☐ Confirm parking, loading, and elevator access at both locations
- ☐ Notify neighbors or building management of the move
- ☐ Dispose of hazardous items movers cannot transport

2 WEEKS BEFORE MOVING

- ☐ Pack kitchen items rarely used
- ☐ Prepare an "Open First" box
- ☐ Set aside items needed during the final weeks
- ☐ Set aside items to transport personally (documents, jewelry, valuables)
- ☐ Update devices and back up important files
- ☐ Confirm payment method, final balance, arrival time, and tipping plan with movers
- ☐ Confirm childcare and pet care plans for moving day

1 WEEKS BEFORE MOVING

- ☐ Finish packing (leave only daily essentials)
- ☐ Wash and dry laundry
- ☐ Defrost refrigerator and freezer
- ☐ Disconnect hoses and outdoor items

A FEW DAYS BEFORE MOVING (2–3 DAYS OUT)

- ☐ Confirm final details with your movers
- ☐ Obtain keys, access codes, or garage openers for the new home
- ☐ Donate unopened, non-perishable food items
- ☐ Schedule or complete garbage and junk removal
- ☐ Empty trash cans and remove remaining garbage
- ☐ Finish packing remaining items
- ☐ Set aside items you will transport personally
- ☐ Pack a moving-day or travel bag
- ☐ Recharge phones and essential devices

MOVING DAY

- ☐ Be present during loading
- ☐ Walk through the home before movers begin
- ☐ Review inventory and labels
- ☐ Keep valuables and important documents with you
- ☐ Secure pets and children
- ☐ Complete a final walkthrough
- ☐ Lock doors and leave keys as instructed

AFTER THE MOVE

- ☐ Unpack essentials first
- ☐ Confirm utilities are active
- ☐ Update remaining addresses
- ☐ Enroll children in new schools

Items Movers Cannot Transport

- 1 – Propane tanks
- 2 – Gasoline or fuels
- 3 – Paint and chemicals
- 4 – Firearms and ammunition
- 5 – Plants (especially for long-distance moves)

Items to Keep With You

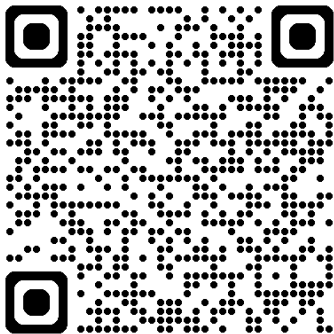
- 1 • Important documents (IDs, passports, birth certificates, insurance papers)
- 2 • Credit cards, debit cards, checkbook, and cash
- 3 • Jewelry, watches, family heirlooms, sentimental items
- 4 • Mobile phone, laptop, tablet, and chargers
- 5 • Medications and medical supplies
- 6 • Glasses or contact lenses
- 7 • Snacks and bottled water
- 8 • Change of clothes and toiletries
- 9 • Keys, access cards, and garage openers

Pro Moving Tips

- 1 ✓ Label boxes on multiple sides
- 2 ✓ Keep essentials and paperwork with you
- 3 ✓ Take photos of electronics before disconnecting
- 4 ✓ Do not overpack boxes
- 5 ✓ Keep important documents easily accessible

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