

Moving Checklist

ONE MONTH BEFORE THE MOVE

- Make arrangements to hire a mover or rent a truck
- Make babysitting and/or pet care arrangements for moving day
- File a change of address form at the post office
- Change address on all newspaper and magazine subscriptions
- Arrange for the transfer of all medical, dental and school records
- Transfer medical, property, fire and auto insurance
- Organize all move-related documents in one place, such as a folder or binder

TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE MOVE

- Cancel or transfer all utilities (water, gas, electric, telephone, TV/cable/satellite/Internet service)
- Check with your provider about cell phone service in your new location
- Transfer prescriptions to a pharmacy near your new location
- Transfer bank accounts
- Collect or purchase all packing supplies; boxes, wrapping paper, bubble wrap, labels, markers, box cutters or scissors and packing tape
- Pack up items in garage, attic and storage areas
- Confirm arrangements with movers or truck rental place

ONE WEEK BEFORE THE MOVE

- Begin packing boxes, labeling each as you fill it
- Empty, defrost and clean refrigerator, freezer and stove
- Return all rented movies, library books, video games, etc.
- Pick up anything outstanding such as dry cleaning, prescriptions, etc.

THE DAY BEFORE THE MOVE

- Do a final check of closets, cabinets and drawers
- Make sure you have enough cash on hand for the move
- Take out all trash
- Fully charge all cell phones
- Touch base with movers or truck rental place for a final confirmation of arrangements

THE DAY OF THE MOVE

- Exchange contact information with the movers in case you need to get in touch with them while enroute. Include your old/new address, cell phone number and directions to new location
- Keep jewelry and other valuables with you, in a box that you move yourself
- Prepare a box of supplies that you will need right away on move-in day, such as cleaning supplies, snacks and beverages, toilet, bath and bedding items, trash bags, disposable dishes, pet food, cell phone chargers, prescriptions, eyeglasses, changes of clothing, etc.
- Do a final check before locking the doors. Confirm that you have turned off the furnace/air conditioner, lawn sprinklers, and light switches. Have you turned over or left the keys and controls for garage door opener to your agent/buyer?