

MOVING CHECKLIST



In order to ensure a seamless move, organization and time management are essential. Here is a checklist to help you plan your move.

TWO MONTHS BEFORE MOVE

- Hire a moving company, and discuss what needs to be moved and all available packing services
- Discuss storage solution options with your moving company if your new home is not ready
- Notify employer, government & financial institutions, schools, doctors, etc. of upcoming address change
- Complete change of address at Canada Post to forward all mail
- Begin packing non-essential items and have a garage sale/donate all extra items to charity

30 DAYS BEFORE MOVE

- Continue to pack, targeting larger items and larger quantities; Begin disassembling large furniture
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- Contact utilities companies and service providers and inform them of your address change
- Begin packing the garage, sheds, and all outdoor items
- Order any new furniture or appliances and schedule their delivery for a date after your move is completed

ONE DAY BEFORE MOVE

- Call your moving company and confirm the time, location, any specialty services, etc.
- It's a good idea to take inventory of your items to ensure they arrive at their destination
- Defrost refrigerator, freezer, and secure major appliances such as oven, dishwasher, etc.
- Pack last minute items and move boxes to the front door to ensure easy access for the moving crew
- Create a moving day "Survival Bag" with all the essentials you will need to avoid hunting through boxes

MOVING DAY

- Leave a note with your name, number, and new address for the next owners in case any mail arrives
- When the moving crew arrives, perform a final walk through of your home
- Ensure you have the keys to your new home, and that you lock your current home on the way out
- Arrive at your new home before the moving crew to inform them of where items are to be placed
- Double check that everything has been delivered and check for any damages

DAY AFTER MOVING

- Begin to assemble any furniture that was disassembled during the move
- Hook up all major appliances and ensure they are working
- Unpack items one room at a time, starting with essential rooms such as the kitchen and bathroom
- Check all services are working such as gas, power, water, etc.
- Take a break and enjoy your new home