

# Moving House Checklist

## 6 weeks before your move

- Get rid of your junk. There is no point paying to move things that you will never use to your new home. This is the stage where you can sell or throw out anything that you've got no purpose for. Once you've got rid of all your unwanted clutter you'll have a better idea of how many boxes you will need and will be able to get a more accurate price quote from our removal company.
- Get in touch with your Landlord to let them know you are leaving.
- Get to know your new neighbourhood. Start researching the community websites and maybe even go for a visit.
- Make sure that your home insurance policy starts from the day you move in to ensure that you are covered.



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## 4 weeks before your move

- Book storage space if you know that you are going to be needing it.
- Check to see if either of the addresses have parking restrictions. If so, you will have to contact local authorities and/or neighbours and organise parking arrangements.
- Let your utility companies know that you are moving.
- Notify any relevant companies/services that your address is changing.



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## 2 weeks before your move

- Get your car or vehicle serviced especially if you're moving long distance.
- Try and get someone to look after your children and/or pets if you feel it best.
- If you will be needing a hotel for a night because you're moving long distance, make sure you book in advance especially during the summer.
- Deregister from your local doctor. If you tell your GP you are moving it will help with the transferring of your records but it's not essential to do so.
- If you have anything regularly delivered to your house such as a newspaper or milk, arrange for the service to stop.



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## 1 week before your move

- Contact us and confirm arrival time and final arrangements such as postcode of your new home and if there are any access issues.
- Arrange to have any gas cookers, washing machines or other appliances professionally disconnected.
- Start to disassemble any flat pack furniture.
- Get in touch with a locksmith and arrange to have new locks fitted to your new property.



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## 3 days before your move

Do any last minute laundry.

Label any spare keys and leave them where they will be seen on moving day.

Get a box of essentials together. This should include items that you will need for your first couple of days, such as tea/coffee making equipment, toilet roll, basic cutlery and crockery, light bulbs etc.



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## 2 days before your move

- Empty, defrost and dry out your fridge / freezer.
- Collect together all of your valuables and important documents. Keep these in the car with you for easy access on move day.
- Create a list of useful contact details such as Solicitors, Estate Agent, Mortgage Broker.
- Double check with your landlord or estate agent about when you will be getting the keys to your new home.



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- Finish all packing apart from some essential items in the bathroom and kitchen. Also make sure you leave out bedding to sleep on for your first night in your new home.
- Make sure that your mobile phone is charged as you go to bed as you are going to be needing it tomorrow.
- Do one last sweep of the house: cupboards, sheds and loft to make sure nothing is left behind.



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## Moving day

- Greet you removal team and show them what items you want to go with them and any that are staying.
- If you have young children put them in a designate room with some toys to keep them occupied. If they are older then they can sort out there own personal boxes and lend you a hand.
- Do a final clean of the house.
- Make a note or take a photo of all meters readings.
- Take a final walk around your house including the garage and/or garden.
- Lock all windows and doors and leave any information which may be useful to the new occupier such as where you have left the keys, location of the fuse box, gas/electric meter.





## At your new home

- Make sure all of your utilities (electric, water and gas) are working.
- Offer your removal team a drink once they arrive at your new home. Then show them where you would like your items and boxes to go.
- Make sure your locksmith arrives to change the locks.
- When your removal team have said they've finished ensure that you check inside their van thoroughly to make sure all of your belongings have been removed.
- Don't try and unpack everything today.
- Have an easy dinner, possibly order a takeout and have a moment to relax in your new home.





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