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# THE ULTIMATE MOVING CHECKLIST

## PRE-MOVE (2 months before)

- Budget funds for moving expenses
- Create a physical file to house all quotes, receipts and other important documents
- Transfer school, shot and veterinarian records
- Cancel or transfer health club, group or organization memberships
- Consider how to move valuable or irreplaceable items safely
- Plan a garage or yard sale to purge your home of unwanted goods
- Donate or discard any unwanted items
- Order moving supplies: packing tape, boxes, bubble wrap, etc.
- Pack items that aren't used often
- Label contents and destination of each box
- File a change of address at the post office or request a mail hold at the post office of your destination city

## PRE-MOVE (1 month before)

- Notify utility companies of your move
  - Electric
  - Water
  - Gas
  - Telephone
  - Cell Phone
  - Cable/Satellite
  - Internet
  - Trash Collection
  - Sewer
- Make travel arrangements for your pets
- Verify all current copies of pet medical & immunization records
- Dispose of flammables, corrosives, poisons and other hazardous materials
- Service your automobile
- Notify any professional of personal services of your move
  - Accountant
  - Attorney
  - Doctor
  - Dentist
  - Financial Planner
  - Health Insurance Provider
  - Auto Insurance Agent
  - Lending Agency
  - Schools

## PRE-MOVE (2 weeks before)

- Notify various services or accounts of your move
  - Auto Finance Company
  - Bank/Credit Union
  - Credit Card Companies
  - Exterminator
  - Laundry Service
  - Magazines
  - Home Care Service Provider
  - Monthly Memberships
  - Newspapers
  - Pharmacy
  - Store/Gas
  - Charge Accounts
- Notify various government offices of your move
  - City/County Tax Assessor
  - State Vehicle Registration
  - Social Security Admin
  - IRS
  - Veterans Admin
- Confirm parking for your moving trailer
- Plan meals for your last weeks before your move

## PRE-MOVE (1 week before)

- Pack a box of essentials to keep during your move
- Measure furniture and doorways
- Empty and defrost refrigerator 24 hours before the move
- Fill any prescriptions
- Gather keys & garage door openers to avoid packing them with items being moved

## MOVING DAY

- Place carpet, floor and door frame protectors
- Check every closet and room to ensure nothing is left behind
- Leave a note with your new address for future residents

## MOVE-IN

- Pick up any held mail at the post office
- Unload your items and begin organizing your home
- Update driver's license and automobile tags
- Enjoy your new home!