

MOVING

Checklist and Tips

2 MONTHS BEFORE:

- ☐ Make a list of large appliances and furniture you'll need to move.
- ☐ Identify any items that need special care ie. fine art, glass or pianos.
- ☐ Take measurements of the rooms in your new home to help plan furniture placement.
- ☐ Inform your boss of your moving day, and arrange for time off if necessary.
- ☐ Make a plan for what you'll do with your children and/or pets on moving day.
- ☐ Book your moving truck/service as far in advance as possible. You'd be surprised at how quickly slots fill up!
- ☐ Make a backup plan in case movers don't show up or can't complete the job in one day.
- ☐ Make a list of moving supplies you'll need (blankets, boxes, bubble wrap, etc.) and start gathering them.

1 MONTH BEFORE:

- ☐ Clean and take pictures of things you want to sell.
- ☐ Start cleaning/junking out.
- ☐ Source companies who will pick up your unwanted items and safely dispose of/recycle them.
- ☐ Locate local drop-off centres for recycling and donation.
- ☐ Take photos and videos of every complex electronic connection to avoid headaches and complications when reconnecting them in your new home.
- ☐ Inform your utility providers of your move.
- ☐ Book installations for internet, TV and security systems for your new place.
- ☐ Ask your pharmacist to send any prescriptions to your new local branch. Inform your dentist, kids' school(s), doctor, veterinarian and bank of your move. Make sure all your addresses on file have been updated.
- ☐ Forward your mail with Canada Post.
- ☐ Begin packing, and label each box with the room it will be going to.
- ☐ Make a checklist for moving day.

THE DAY BEFORE:

- ☐ Go through your moving day checklist one more time and update as necessary.
- ☐ Empty and disconnect your fridge.
- ☐ Pack a bag containing clothes and toiletries so that they're easily accessible.
- ☐ Scan and make copies of important documents like passports, driver's licenses, birth certificates and medical prescriptions in case they get lost in the move. Keep them in your purse or in the dashboard of your car.
- ☐ Have snacks and water on hand!

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