



# Preparing For Your Move

- 2-4 WEEKS BEFORE:**
  - SORT.** Decide what to keep, what to sell/give away and what to donate.
  - MOVE ARRANGEMENTS.** Contract with movers/truck rental company.
  - INVENTORY.** Take photos and create an inventory list.
- WEEK OF MOVE:**
  - CHANGE OF ADDRESS.** Notify the post office (usps.gov) and update your address with providers, creditors, and subscriptions.
  - LICENSING.** Get license, vehicle registrations and insurance in order.
  - BANKING.** Update your address with you bank and investment accounts.
  - PACK.** Label each box with the room where it should be delivered.
- MOVING DAY:**
  - OLD HOME.** Meet movers/pick up the truck as early as possible.
  - WALK-THROUGH.** Check closets, cupboards, attic, and basement for left behind items.
  - ONSITE.** Be available to answer questions and give instructions.
  - UTILITIES.** Confirm that the utilities have been turned on.

## Packing Tips

- ESSENTIAL PACKING MATERIALS:**
    - furniture pads
    - handtruck or dolly
    - packing tape
    - bubble wrap
    - newspapers or packing paper
    - scissors
    - utility knife
    - labels
    - felt-tip markers
    - cornstarch packing "peanuts"
    - plenty of boxes
  - HANDY ITEMS:**
    - scissors
    - utility knife
    - coffee cups
    - teakettle
    - trash bags
    - water/beverages
    - snacks
    - pencil & paper
    - soap
    - bath towels
    - shelf liner
    - paper plates
    - paper towels
    - toilet paper
    - toys/books
- Pack a "first day" box with these items that you will need right away*

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