

## MOVING CHECKLIST

Whether you are a first-time home-buyer or an experienced homeowner, you should know that having a plan can make all the difference in the world. At Heather Guild Group, we have assembled a well-designed Moving Checklist to help you have a seamless home-buying experience.

## TWO MONTHS BEFORE

- $\hfill\Box$  Get organized. Decide what you'd like to keep and what you'd like to give away.
- □ Research. Research moving companies, and be sure to get each quote in writing.
- □ Create a moving binder. Keep track of quotes, estimates, receipts, and inventory.
- □ Organize school records. Go to your children's school and arrange for records to be transferred.

## SIX WEEKS BEFORE

- □ Order supplies. Order boxes, tape, bubble wrap, and permanent markers.
- ☐ Use up perishable items. Use perishable foods or cleaning supplies you prefer not to move.
- □ Take measurements. Check room dimensions at your new home.

## ONE MONTH BEFORE

- □ Choose a mover. Get written confirmation of your moving date, costs, and other details.
- □ Begin packing. Begin by packing what you use most infrequently.
- □ Label. Clearly label and number each box with its contents and the room its destined for.
- □ Separate valuables. Add jewelry and files to a box you'll personally transport.
- □ Do a Change of Address Form. Go to your local post office or visit USPS.gov to do so.
- □ Notify important parties, including banks, employers, magazines, and newspapers.
- □ Forward medical records. Arrange for medical records to be transferred.
- ☐ Transfer or Set Up Utilities: Gas, electric, water, cable, Internet, phone, alarm, home insurance...
- ☐ Enroll in Childcare/Pre-School/School
- □ Schedule Childcare and Pet Sitters for day of move.



TWO WEEKS BEFORE  Arrange to be off from work on moving day. Notify your employer.  Arrange for banking. If you'll be changing banking, be sure to arrange to do so.  Contact the moving company. Reconfirm the arrangements you have made.
ONE WEEK BEFORE  Refill prescriptions. Stock up on prescriptions you'll need during the next couple of weeks.  Pack your suitcases. Pack a suitcase with enough clothing to wear during the transition.
<ul> <li>A FEW DAYS BEFORE</li> <li>□ Defrost the freezer. If your freezer is moving with you, be sure to empty, clean, and defrost it.</li> <li>□ Double-check the details. Reconfirm the moving company's arrival and other information.</li> <li>□ Plan for the payment. Prepare to pay the moving company.</li> </ul>
MOVING DAY  Uverify. Be sure the moving truck belongs to the company you had hired.  Take inventory.
AFTER MOVE-IN  □ Change address on Driver's License. □ Send a Moving Announcement with your new address.
FOR ADDITIONAL MOVING TIPS, BE SURE TO VISIT THE HEATHER GUILD GROUP <u>MOVING TIPS PINTEREST BOARD</u> .
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