

# Moving guide and checklist

Moving can be stressful. With all the work involved with packing up, it's easy to forget details and important changes you need to make when relocating homes. We're here to help with useful tips to make your move as easy, efficient and stress-free as possible.



#### Pre-move prep

- Clean up. A purge and thorough cleaning of your home will help declutter your thoughts and make moving easier.
- Schedule your mail to be forwarded to your new address with Canada Post.
- Make a documentation list. Start the process of informing agencies of your change of address. (Ex. banks, insurance providers, credit card agencies, license and health card, doctors, schools, etc.)
- Cancel subscriptions and memberships. (Ex. magazines, newspapers, food deliveries, gym, etc.)
- Set a date to disconnect service utilities and arrange connection to your new residence. (Ex. Two weeks before moving.)
- Research and schedule movers. Assess the help you need and ensure you read movers' contracts carefully. Consider purchasing moving insurance.

### Inventory&budgetlist

- Take inventory of your belongings, noting items that are fragile.
- Make a list of tools and supplies you'll need for your move to help you organize the process.
- Create a budget to calculate and estimate moving costs like tools, supplies, gas, rentals and movers.

#### **Packing**

- Begin packing about one month before your move.
- Use moving boxes. They're designed for packing and surviving the impact of moving.
- Use packing paper and bubble wrap to keep items safe and separated.
- Pack room by room. Focus on one area of a room at a time and avoid mixing items from different rooms in one box.
- Label each box clearly. Title it by room and list the contents.
- Don't pack heirlooms or important papers in boxes, it's best to transport them personally.

#### Moving week

- Confirm movers and/or moving truck rentals.
- Pack a suitcase for you and your family members so you have clothing and essentials while you're settling in.
- Create an inventory of all your valuables before they go in the moving truck.
- Mark moving boxes that are fragile and set them aside in their own pile.
- Do a final walkthrough of your home to make sure you haven't missed any items.

## **Moving supplies shopping list**

Packing boxes	Cleaning products
	<b>⊘</b> Qty Item
Small boxes	Disposable gloves
Medium boxes	Multi-purpose cleaner
Large boxes	Outdoor cleaners
Glass moving kit	Sponges
	Paper towel
Tools & supplies	Broom
Bubble wrap	O Dust pan
Stretch wrap	Vacuum
Packing paper	Trash bags & bins
Tape guns & tape	
Utility knife	Organizing & setup
Moving blanket	Storage bins
Pens, pencils & markers	Hangers
O Dolly cart	Closet organizers
Rope	C Light bulbs
Mattress bags	O Tool box
	Picture hanging kits