

# moving checklist



## Two Months Before

- Sort & Purge:** Go through every room of your house and decide what you want to throw away, donate, and keep.
- Request On-Site Estimates:** Get written estimates from a number of different moving companies and be sure that they provide their U.S. Department of Transportation (USDOT) number.
- Start a Folder:** Keep all estimates, receipts, & inventory list in an easy to find folder.
- Take Photos:** Photograph your home to identify what goes where and how you organized your shelves, nightstands, and counter spaces.

## Six Weeks Before

- Measure:** Make sure that large pieces of furniture will fit through hallways and doors on their way out.
- Arrange Additional Help:** Ensure you have someone to watch your kids and pets, or have help moving if needed.
- Order Supplies:** Get boxes, tape, bubble wrap, markers, and any other supplies you may need to pack up all of your stuff.

## One Month Before

- Get Confirmation from Movers:** Obtain a written confirmation from movers on date, cost, & other details.
- Pack Infrequently Used Items:** Start to pack up things that you won't use again until you move.
  - Contact Current Services:** Cancel your gas, electric, water, cable, garbage, and any other service you have.
- Change Address:** Contact schools, banks, doctors, and pharmacies with your new address.

## One Week Before

- Pack It Up:** Pack up all of your stuff other than day-of essentials, which can be packed in a suitcase.
- Forward Mail:** Make sure that all of your mail is going to your new address when you have moved.

## On Moving Day

- Verify Movers:** Ensure that the USDOT number on the truck matches the number on your estimate.
- Final Walkthrough:** Spend time looking to see that you remembered to grab everything.

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