

Moving Timeline/Checklist

Six to Eight weeks prior:

- ?? Purchase or rent moving supplies: tape, markers, scissors, pocketknife, newspaper, blankets, moving pads, plastic storage bins, rope and a hand truck. Free boxes can usually be obtained at a local supermarket, but consider purchasing wardrobe boxes for moving clothes.
- ?? Have a garage sale to clear out unwanted items and plan accordingly. Consider donating unwanted items.
- ?? Keep a detailed record of all moving expenses. Your costs may be tax deductible depending on the reasons for your move.

Two weeks prior:

- ?? Hire a reputable mover or rent a moving truck. Be sure to get referrals or references, check with the Better Business Bureau, get estimates, purchase moving insurance.
- ?? Two weeks before moving day, contact your telephone, electric, gas, cable/satellite, refuse and water companies to set a specific date when service will be discontinued. Contact utilities companies in your new town about service start dates, including Internet & long distance telephone services.
- ?? Notify healthcare professionals (doctors, dentists, veterinarians) of your move and ask for referrals and record transfers.
- ?? Register children for school and ask for school records to be transferred.
- ?? Notify lawn service, cleaning and security companies when service should be terminated.
- ?? Advise the post office, publications and correspondents of change of address and date of move.
- ?? Check your homeowner's insurance and make arrangements for new coverage.

Moving Day

- ?? Have tools handy for breaking down beds and appliances.
- ?? Move valuables (jewelry, legal documents, family photos & collections) yourself - don't send them with the moving company. Make sure you have a complete Home Inventory of all your possessions.
- ?? Give every room a final once over. Don't forget to check the basement, yards, attic, garage and closets.
- ?? Have the final payment for the movers and money for a tip