



The Best Moving Checklist

The best checklist to help get everything done when moving

3 to 6 months before

Start packing and decluttering

- ☐ Start with large items, not small ones to give a sense of progress.
- ☐ Sort and pack the basement and garage before other places to dispose of less used items.
- ☐ Label all your boxes (name + room)
- ☐ Donate or sell items that are no longer useful.
- ☐ Gather all important documents in one secure place.

1 to 3 months before

Change your address

- ☐ Go to movingwaldo.com to complete all your address changes in minutes.

Set up utilities

- ☐ Water
- ☐ Electricity/gas
- ☐ TV
- ☐ Internet
- ☐ Streaming service

Book a moving method

- ☐ Book a moving truck or
- ☐ Book a moving company or
- ☐ Book a moving container

Get insurance

- ☐ Homeowner's insurance
- ☐ Other type of insurance

Moving day

Prepare a bag with all the basic necessities

- ☐ Water bottles
- ☐ Snacks and meals
- ☐ First Aid Kit
- ☐ Valuable items

First week moved in

Clean your home

- ☐ Clean on your own before unpacking or
- ☐ Hire a cleaning company

Locate important areas in your home

- ☐ Locate shut off valves
- ☐ Locate electricity panel (circuit breaker)
- ☐ Locate potential dangerous areas

Repairs

- ☐ Buy a tool box
- ☐ Locate any minor repairs
- ☐ Locate any major repairs

Determine a back up key solution

- ☐ Leave a backup key with a trusted family member, friend or neighbor in case you get locked out.

Make your home safe

- ☐ Change your locks and keys
- ☐ Install a home security system
- ☐ Fire extinguisher
- ☐ Smoke detectors
- ☐ Carbon monoxide detectors
- ☐ Flashlights and batteries
- ☐ First Aid Kit

Discover your neighborhood

- ☐ Meet your new neighbors
- ☐ Drive around and take walks
- ☐ Know the route to your nearest stores and hospital



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What to bring



Appliances

- ☐ Stove
- ☐ Fridge
- ☐ Dishwasher
- ☐ Microwave
- ☐ Laundry machine
- ☐ Dryer
- ☐ Toaster
- ☐ Blender
- ☐ Coffee machine
- ☐ Air conditioner
- ☐ Fan



Cleaning supplies

- ☐ Broom
- ☐ Vacuum
- ☐ Bucket
- ☐ Mop
- ☐ Garbage can
- ☐ Garbage bags
- ☐ Laundry detergent
- ☐ Laundry basket
- ☐ Rags/towels
- ☐ Sponges
- ☐ Brushes
- ☐ All in one cleaner
- ☐ Disinfectant cleaner



Bathroom

- ☐ Bath mat
- ☐ Toilet paper
- ☐ Towels (bath + hand)
- ☐ Toilet plunger
- ☐ Toilet brush
- ☐ Soap dispenser
- ☐ Soap
- ☐ Shower curtain
- ☐ Trash can
- ☐ Hair dryer



Decor items

- ☐ Carpet
- ☐ Accent pillows
- ☐ Frames
- ☐ Painting supplies
- ☐ Floor lamps
- ☐ Candles



Kitchen

- ☐ Appliances
- ☐ Table
- ☐ Dish rack
- ☐ Cutlery (forks, spoons, knives)
- ☐ Cutting board
- ☐ Cutting knives
- ☐ Peeler
- ☐ Can opener
- ☐ Cooking utensils
- ☐ Dishes (mugs, cups, plates, bowls)
- ☐ Pots and pans
- ☐ Bakeware
- ☐ Mixing bowls
- ☐ Dish rags
- ☐ Oven mitts
- ☐ Trash can
- ☐ Plastic containers
- ☐ Sponge
- ☐ Dish soap



Living room

- ☐ Couch
- ☐ Coffee table
- ☐ End tables
- ☐ Curtains/blinds
- ☐ TV
- ☐ TV stand



Bedroom

- ☐ Bed
- ☐ Mattress
- ☐ Bedside tables
- ☐ Lamps
- ☐ Mirror
- ☐ Dresser
- ☐ Duvet (blanket)
- ☐ Pillows
- ☐ Pillow cases
- ☐ Bed sheets
- ☐ Clothing hangers
- ☐ Curtains/blinds

Helpful tips

- Always lift heavy items together.
- Ask for help from friends or family in advance.
- Get professional movers for specialty items like pianos.
- Hire a sitter for children and pets.
- Defrost fridge at least a day before moving.
- Pack your dishes vertically.
- Make use of suitcases and baskets to transport items.
- Digitalize important documents.
- Protect fragile items with your clothes, blankets or bubble wrap.
- Take pictures of the wiring on your electronics.
- Pack a clear plastic bin of things you'll need right away.
- Load heavy furniture on the truck first.
- Stop buying groceries 1-2 weeks before the move.
- Remember to take frequent breaks.
- Before moving your furniture in the new home, take pictures.
- Remember to eat and drink regularly.



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