

Moving soon? We want to help! Call us at 1-800-722-5728 or visit our website at 1800packrat.com for a no-obligation quote. In the meantime, here's a helpful moving checklist that will keep you organized throughout your moving process.

60 DAYS

- Research moving and storage companies.
- Secure all contracts and rental agreements.
- Pinpoint a move date.

45 DAYS

- Make an inventory of all your household belongings. Take digital photos, especially of electronics and their wiring configurations.
- Make a note of repairs that need to be made before you move out.
- Begin cooking meals with food in your freezer and the back of your pantry.
- Begin packing non-essential items like books and out-of-season clothing.
- Sort items that you no longer use and can either donate, sell, or throw out.
- If moving to a new area, research new service providers, including health clubs, pharmacies, veterinarians, physicians, dentists, financial planners and schools.
- Begin assembling a moving folder with all of your important housing and moving documents.
- Start gathering moving supplies such as moving boxes, storage bins, packing tape, bubble wrap, markers and color-coded labels.

30 DAYS

- Hold a yard sale and schedule some time to donate remaining items.
- Fill out a change of address form with the post office.
- Contact all banks, credit card companies, investment services and magazine subscriptions to notify them of a change of address.
- Call insurance company to make changes to auto, homeowners, and renters insurance policies and obtain movers insurance.
- Get copies of and transfer school records.

30 DAYS CONTINUED

- Get copies of and transfer medical and dental records.
- Take car in for service.
- End local memberships, including health clubs, libraries, newspaper subscriptions, and community groups.
- Notify all local service providers of your move, including pharmacies, landscapers, exterminators, and laundry services.
- Call all current utility companies to schedule a service termination date (water, gas, electricity, trash, phone, and cable/internet).
- Set up transfers or installation service for utilities in new your location (water, gas, electricity, trash, phone, and cable/internet).
- Set aside any essential documents you may need while your belongings are in storage or transit.
- Dispose of any flammable or corrosive chemicals.

14 DAYS

- Plan to say goodbye to friends and neighbors and provide them with your new address.
- Schedule time off from work, babysitting, and pet-sitting for moving day, if necessary.
- Schedule cleaning service for after you've moved out.
- Make sure you have obtained any parking permits needed for your moving trailer or container.
- Determine how to transport your plants (which cannot be transported in a moving container).

7 DAYS

- Plan to eat all remaining perishable food.
- Defrost your fridge at least 24 hours before moving it.

7 DAYS CONTINUED

- Pack a suitcase (or two) of all essential items you will need in transit.
 - Finish packing all of your household items.
 - Take care of any last-minute yard maintenance.
 - Get cash to have on hand, especially if you will need to tip hired labor.
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MOVING DAY

- Be sure to get a good night's sleep before the big day.
- Have a good breakfast available that won't require packed-away appliances or utensils.
- Make sure you have plenty of water and snacks for the moving crew.
- Be sure to protect flooring, doors, and door frames during the move.
- Do a final walk-through to ensure there aren't any items left behind.
- Run your dishwasher if you're leaving it behind to make sure it's fresh and clean.
- Enjoy the beginning of a new chapter in your life!