



# Stay Organized: Your Complete Moving Checklist and Timeline

Moving can be one of life's most stressful events, but with a well-organized plan, it doesn't have to be. Whether you're relocating across town or across the country, having a detailed moving timeline can help ensure everything goes smoothly. Here's your complete moving checklist to keep you on track, from two months before the move until the day you settle into your new home.

## 2 Months Before Moving

- Sort and Declutter** Start by going through each room and deciding what to keep, donate, sell, or throw away. This is a great time to get rid of items you no longer need.
- Research Moving Companies** Gather quotes from multiple moving companies, check their reviews, and book your chosen company. Make sure to confirm their availability on your moving date.
- Create a Moving Binder** Keep all moving-related documents, receipts, and contracts organized in one place. This will help you stay on top of everything and make the process less overwhelming.
- Start Packing Non-Essentials** Begin packing items you won't need until after the move, such as seasonal clothes, books, and decor. Label each box with its contents and the room it belongs in.
- Notify Schools** If you have children, inform their schools about the move and arrange for the transfer of their records to the new school.

## 6 Weeks Before Moving

- Gather Packing Supplies** Collect boxes, tape, bubble wrap, and other packing materials. Allworld Packaging Supplies offers a variety of packing solutions, including moving supplies and all-in-one moving kits, to help you get started.
- Begin Packing** Start packing items you use infrequently. Be sure to label boxes clearly with their contents and destination room.
- Notify Utilities** Contact your utility companies (electricity, water, gas, internet) to schedule disconnection at your current home and reconnection at your new one.
- Notify Service Providers** Update your address with any service providers (subscriptions, deliveries, etc.) to ensure a smooth transition.
- Check Homeowners/Renters Insurance** Confirm that your new home is covered starting from your move-in date. This will give you peace of mind during the move.



## 1 Month Before Moving

- Confirm Moving Date** Double-check with your moving company and confirm the moving date. Make sure everything is set and ready to go.
- Finalize Real Estate and Rental Agreements** Ensure all paperwork for your new home is complete. This includes leases, mortgage documents, and any other necessary agreements.
- Plan for Pets and Plants** Arrange transportation for your pets and special care for plants. Moving can be stressful for them too, so plan accordingly.
- Notify Change of Address** Update your address with the post office, banks, insurance companies, and other important institutions. Don't forget to notify the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) to ensure your tax information is up to date.
- Plan Meals** Start using up food in your pantry, fridge, and freezer. This will make packing the kitchen much easier.

## 2 Weeks Before Moving

- Arrange Time Off** If needed, request time off work for the days around your move. This will give you time to handle last-minute details and settle into your new home.
- Service Your Car** If you're driving a long distance, make sure your car is in good condition. Schedule any necessary maintenance.
- Start Packing Essential Items** Pack a "first-night" box with essentials like toiletries, clothes, and important documents. This will make your first night in the new home more comfortable.
- Dispose of Hazardous Materials** Properly dispose of any hazardous materials that movers won't transport (paint, chemicals, etc.). Check with local regulations for disposal instructions.

## 1 Week Before Moving

- Confirm Details with Movers** Reconfirm arrival time, address, and any special instructions with your moving company. Clear communication is key.
- Finish Packing** Complete packing all items, leaving out only what you need for the last week. Label boxes clearly with their contents and destination room.
- Clean Your Home** Do a thorough cleaning of your home, or hire a cleaning service. Leave your old home in good condition for the next occupants.
- Collect Important Documents** Gather all important documents (birth certificates, passports, etc.) and keep them in a safe place.

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## 2 Days Before Moving

- Defrost Refrigerator and Freezer** Empty, clean, and defrost these appliances. Make sure they are dry and ready to move.
- Pack an Essentials Bag** Include items like medications, chargers, a change of clothes, toiletries, and snacks. Keep this bag with you during the move.
- Label Boxes Clearly** Ensure all boxes are clearly labeled with their contents and destination room. This will make unpacking much easier.

## Moving Day

- Do a Final Walkthrough** Check all rooms, closets, and cabinets to ensure nothing is left behind. This is your last chance to catch anything you might have missed.
- Meet the Movers** Be present when the movers arrive and provide any necessary instructions. Make sure they know where to place boxes in your new home.
- Check Inventory** Keep a list of your items and check off as they are loaded onto the truck. This will help ensure nothing gets lost in transit.
- Secure Your Home** Lock all windows and doors, and ensure the property is secure before leaving. Say goodbye to your old home and get ready for a new adventure.

## Moving In

- Supervise Unloading** Direct movers to place boxes in the correct rooms. This will save you time and effort later.
- Check for Damage** Inspect your items for any damage during transit. Report any issues to the moving company immediately.
- Start Unpacking** Begin with essentials and gradually unpack room by room. Take your time to get everything organized.
- Set Up Utilities** Ensure all utilities are working in your new home. This includes electricity, water, gas, and internet.
- Update Address** Confirm your new address with necessary parties if you haven't already. This will ensure you don't miss any important mail.
- Explore Your New Neighborhood** Take some time to familiarize yourself with your new surroundings. Find local grocery stores, parks, and other amenities.

## Conclusion

By following this detailed timeline, you can make your moving process as smooth and stress-free as possible. Remember, preparation and organization are key to a successful move. And for all your packing needs, Allworld Packaging Supplies is here to help. We offer a wide range of products, including moving supplies and all-in-one moving kits, designed to make your packing and moving experience easier. Visit our website to find everything you need for your move, and let us help you transition to your new home with ease. Happy moving!