

# THE COMPLETE

# MOVING

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CHECKLIST



A graphic featuring a large, stylized number '8' with a blue and white striped pattern. To the right of the '8' is a red ribbon banner with the word 'WEEKS' in white, uppercase letters. Below the banner, the words 'BEFORE YOUR MOVE' are written in blue, uppercase letters.

# 8 WEEKS BEFORE YOUR MOVE

So its time to move? We wont lie to you, there is a lot to get done. The good news? You found our Complete Checklist for Moving! With this checklist and a bit of work we are confident that this move will be your best move yet.

**1. Create a digital moving folder on your computer or laptop.**

Take pictures of all your quotes, receipts, and records pertaining to your move and make sure to save them to your moving folder

**2. Receive quotes from several different moving companys.**

We recommend reaching out to at least 3 separate moving companies if possible.

**3. <sup>↗</sup>Begin creating your moving budget.**

Look at our blog for help creating a moving budget

**4. Read over all contracts from your movers before signing.**

**5. Request time off work for the day of your move.**

**6. Plan on how to get rid of unwanted furniture.**

Look at our blog for ways to get rid of unwanted or excess furniture.

**7. Begin researching your new commute to work and new schools for any children.**

**8. Note any unusually large, heavy, fragile, or oddly shaped items and make sure to pass this information along to potential moving companies.**

In order to provide you with an accurate quote make sure your moving provider is aware of any specialty items you will be needing moved.

**9. Confirm all quotes received are from moving companies that are licensed and insured.**

# 6 WEEKS

BEFORE YOUR MOVE

Don't worry, there is still plenty of time to prepare. But getting an early start is the key to a smooth and stress-free move. It's time to start thinking about packing, but where to begin? First lets get those packing materials and find a way to keep them organized.

- 10. Begin collecting packing materials.**  
Free used boxes can usually be found on Facebook marketplace and Craigslist. socks, t-shirts, towels, and linens make great packing material!
- 11. Label each moving box with different colors to represent its respective room in the new house.**  
Labeling your boxes beforehand will save you tons of time when unpacking!
- 12. Create an inventory list of all items that will be going with your movers on their truck.**
- 13. Label your moving boxes that are fragile.**
- 14. Created labeled baggies to put furniture hardware in after disassembly.**
- 15. Begin any necessary home repairs.**
- 16. If relocating to an apartment, verify which days are designated for moving in.**
- 17. If moving long distance make sure to service any vehicles that will be making the trip.**
- 18. Measure your entryways, elevators, And stairwells to ensure items will fit.**
- 19. Begin packing!**



# WEEKS

BEFORE YOUR  
MOVE

Only one more month until your move! Hopefully you've started packing and getting prepared for the journey ahead. There's still a lot more to get done, but we promise it will all be worth it in the end. Lets get some of those little details taken care of before the real work begins

- 20. Purchase additional moving insurance to cover any especially valuable items if desired.**

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  - 21. Find out parking options for your movers on moving day.**  
Often apartments and condos have designated parking for large delivery or moving trucks.

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  - 22. Donate items that can't be packed safely such as propane, aerosols, and cleaning products.**

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  - 23. Gather all important documentation including medical records, transcripts, birth certificates, passports, etc.**

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  - 24. Let your home or renters insurance provider know that you are about to relocate.**

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  - 25. Start looking for new cable and internet providers for your new home.**
- 26. If moving across the country take the time to plan your route and book any hotels you may need.**




# 2 WEEKS

BEFORE YOUR MOVE

We're getting closer to the big day! Hopefully you're finishing packing of up your non day-to-day items and confirming the fine details of your move. Make sure you spend some time with your friends and neighbors this week in preparation to say goodbye.

- 27. Prepare two weeks worth of meals for your family or loved ones.**  
You'd hate to have to throw out food on moving day.
- 28. Back up your computer files to prevent losing files during your move.**
- 29. Look into trash and recycling services for your new home and cancel your current services.**
- 30. Let others know you are about to move.**  
Don't leave your friends out!
- 31. Set up a mail forwarding service.**
- 32. Let your bank, credit card providers, loan providers, and work know about your new address.**
- 33. Transfer utilities over including water, gas, and electric.**
- 34. Update your drivers license to your new address.**
- 35. Contact your auto insurance provider and car registrar to update your address.**



# WEEK

BEFORE YOUR  
MOVE

We are down to the final week! We know it has been a lot of work up to this point, but just hang on we are almost there, and we promise it will be worth it. Its time to make sure your old house is in shape for a new resident as well as beginning to make your new property feel like home!

- 36. Donate any unwanted clothes and unopened food.**

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- 37. Clean your home in preparation for the move.**

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- 38. Empty and unplug both your freezer and fridge the night before if they are being moved as well.**

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- 39. Schedule your final walk through with your property manager or landlord.**

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- 40. Keep all essential items in a backpack or suitcase that you keep with you.**

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- 41. Take down prepare all artwork for travel.**

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- 42. Remove any TV mounts from the wall.**

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- 43. Make sure to have cash on hand for the trip ahead and to tip your moving team.**

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- 44. If possible, clean your new residence in anticipation of your move in.**

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- 45. Make sure to have a labeled box for your toiletries, bed sheets, and cleaning supplies to keep with you.**

These will be some of the first items you unpack at your new residence.

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- 46. Complete packing of all your non-essential items.**

# MOVING DAY

The big day is finally here and you should be ready to move! All of your hard work and preparation has brought you to this day. If you have successfully completed this checklist up to this point then moving day should be a breeze. Make sure to thank your moving team for a job well done and begin making your new house a home.

- 47. Make sure you're up early and eat breakfast to prepare for the day ahead.**

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- 48. Make sure your movers protect your floors, entryways, and walls.**  
Your moving team should have all the supplies they need to protect your floors and walls

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- 49. Be on-hand and out of the way for your moving crew.**

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- 50. Immediately unpack toiletries and make your bed.**
- 51. Make sure to tip your movers for a job well done!**  
Look at our blog to see how much you should tip your movers!

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- 52. Get to the grocery store so you can fill your new fridge and pantry!**

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- 53. Leave a review reflecting your experience for your moving crew.**

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- 54. Begin unpacking and filling your new home!**  
Aim to have all of your items unpacked within 1-2 weeks after move-in.