

Tips to make your move a little easier

Packing Tips

- _____ Gather boxes in all sizes from friends, neighbors, and stores
- _____ Collect cushioning material such as bubble wrap, foam pellets, furniture pads, old blankets, plastic bags, tissue paper, newspapers, and small towels to use as padding inside boxes
- _____ Create a “portable packing kit” with marking pens, a tape measure, packing tape, twine, and scissors. Carry it with you as you pack up items around your home
- _____ Reinforce the bottom of boxes with extra tape for added strength
- _____ Label each box with the name of the room in your new home where it should be placed
- _____ List the contents of the box on the side of it
- _____ Number the boxes and keep a list of which boxes go in which room in your new home
- _____ Label boxes containing fragile items with large red lettering
- _____ Place china in plastic bags and stack plates upright on their sides, not flat
- _____ Pack your TV, stereo, and computer in their original boxes whenever possible
- _____ Keep boxes to 50 pounds or less
- _____ Pack heavy items into their own smaller boxes and place lighter items together into larger boxes. (Don't pack all your books into one box!)
- _____ Don't move flammable, combustible, corrosive, or explosive items such as paint, gasoline, and ammunition
- _____ Pack a bag of personal items you'll need during the move (change of clothes, toiletries, medicine, maps, food, and drinks). Keep it in an easy-to-find place when you pack
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
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- _____ _____

General Moving Tips

- _____ Disconnect and bundle cords on television and stereo components. Label each cord with masking tape and a description of where to connect it
- _____ Plan and measure where your furniture will be placed in your new home. It's helpful to draw a layout of your new home and sketch in the major furniture pieces
- _____ To save time on moving day, move your boxes from the basement, upstairs, or attic to main floor prior to the move date. Consider carrying items from the back yard to the front yard or garage ahead of time
- _____ Keep your phone connected through moving day to stay in touch with friends, family, and the moving company
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Packing List By Room

Kitchen

- _____ Cupboards
- _____ Closets
- _____ Drawers
- _____
- _____

Box numbers for kitchen

Dining Room

- _____ China cabinet or hutch
- _____ Light fixture and lamps
- _____ Furniture: tables and chairs
- _____
- _____

Box numbers for dining room

Living Room

- _____ Bookcases and contents
- _____ Entertainment center and contents: stereo, TV, CDs, videotapes, and so on
- _____ Knick knacks and artwork
- _____ Furniture: couch, chairs, and tables
- _____
- _____

Box numbers for living room

Family Room

- _____ Entertainment center and contents: stereo, TV, CDs, videotapes, and so on
- _____ Knick knacks and artwork
- _____ Furniture: couch, chairs, and tables
- _____ Lamps
- _____
- _____

Box numbers for family room

Master Bedroom

- _____ Closet
- _____ Dressers and contents
- _____ Furniture: bed, dressers, night stands, and desk
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Box numbers for master bedroom

Bedroom #1

- _____ Closet
- _____ Dressers and contents
- _____ Furniture: bed, dressers, night stands, and desk
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Box numbers of bedroom #1

Bedroom #2

- _____ Closet
- _____ Dressers and contents
- _____ Furniture: bed, dressers, night stands, and desk
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Box numbers of bedroom #2

Bedroom #3

- _____ Closet
- _____ Dressers and contents
- _____ Furniture: bed, dressers, night stands, and desk
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Box numbers of bedroom #3

Study/Office

- _____ Computer equipment: CPU, monitor, and printer
- _____ Desk and contents
- _____ Bookshelves and contents
- _____ File cabinets and contents
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Box numbers for study/office

Bathroom

- _____ Cupboards and contents
- _____ Linens and towels
- _____ Knick knacks and wall hangings
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Box numbers for bathroom

Attic

- _____ Trunks
- _____ Boxes
- _____ _____
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Box numbers for attic

Garage

- _____ Yard equipment and garden tools
- _____ Home maintenance equipment and tools
- _____ _____
- _____ _____

Box numbers for garage

Basement

____ Cupboards and shelves

Box numbers for basement

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