

Your Home Moving Pack

A considered guide for the weeks before your move, the day itself, and settling into your new home.

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Keep this pack somewhere handy and tick things off as your moving date gets closer.

MOVING DATE

MOVING FROM

MOVING TO



WHEN YOU'RE READY
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Your moving timeline

A calm move starts before moving day. Use this page as your master countdown.

6-8 WEEKS BEFORE

- ☐ Confirm your expected moving date.
- ☐ Start comparing removal options and request quotes.
- ☐ Declutter: sell, donate, recycle or dispose of unwanted items.
- ☐ Measure large furniture and access at the new property.
- ☐ Start collecting boxes, tape and packing materials.
- ☐ Create one folder for contracts, keys, receipts and important documents.

3-4 WEEKS BEFORE

- ☐ Book your removal company once the date is confirmed.
- ☐ Arrange storage if collection and delivery dates do not match.
- ☐ Begin packing rooms and items you use least.
- ☐ Arrange broadband / TV transfer or cancellation.
- ☐ Arrange time off work if needed.
- ☐ Plan for pets or childcare on moving day.

1-2 WEEKS BEFORE

- ☐ Confirm both addresses with your mover.
- ☐ Confirm parking and access at both properties.
- ☐ Pack most non-essential items.
- ☐ Label every box with room and contents.
- ☐ Use up food from the freezer and cupboards.
- ☐ Redirect or update important post and accounts.

THE FINAL 48 HOURS

- ☐ Pack an essentials box for the first night.
- ☐ Charge phones and power banks.
- ☐ Defrost and dry the freezer if required.
- ☐ Disconnect appliances only when safe to do so.
- ☐ Keep keys, documents, medication and valuables with you.
- ☐ Confirm arrival time and contact number with your mover.

A SMALL THING THAT HELPS

Take photographs of meter readings, appliance connections and valuable furniture before the move.

Pack with a system

Pack room by room. A simple labelling system will save time at the other end.

KITCHEN ☐ Wrap plates, bowls and glasses securely. ☐ Pack pans, utensils and small appliances. ☐ Seal liquids upright in a separate box. ☐ Empty fridge / freezer as required. ☐ Keep kettle and mugs for your first-night box.	LIVING ROOM ☐ Protect TV and electronics. ☐ Label cables before disconnecting. ☐ Wrap pictures, mirrors and ornaments. ☐ Use smaller boxes for books. ☐ Empty heavy furniture drawers.
BEDROOMS ☐ Box clothes or use wardrobe boxes. ☐ Pack and label bedding. ☐ Protect mattresses. ☐ Dismantle beds if required. ☐ Bag and label screws / fixings.	BATHROOM ☐ Seal toiletries to prevent leaks. ☐ Keep medication separately with you. ☐ Pack towels. ☐ Keep cleaning products upright. ☐ Leave daily essentials until last.
GARAGE / GARDEN ☐ Pack tools safely. ☐ Clean garden furniture. ☐ Remove fuel where necessary and safe. ☐ Check plant pots for weight. ☐ Gather loose outdoor items together.	VALUABLE / IMPORTANT ☐ Passports and identification. ☐ Contracts and property documents. ☐ Jewellery and sentimental items. ☐ Laptops / tablets and chargers. ☐ Keys for both properties.

THE THREE-WORD LABEL

ROOM - CONTENTS - PRIORITY
Example: KITCHEN - MUGS & KETTLE - OPEN FIRST

SMALL BOXES

MEDIUM BOXES

LARGE BOXES

WARDROBE BOXES

TAPE / WRAP

Change of address

Work through this list gradually. Some details can be changed before the move; others need the final date.

HOME & UTILITIES ☐ Council tax. ☐ Electricity / gas supplier. ☐ Water supplier where applicable. ☐ Broadband / landline. ☐ TV / streaming services. ☐ Home / contents insurance.	MONEY & WORK ☐ Banks and building societies. ☐ Credit cards / finance providers. ☐ Pension / investments. ☐ Accountant / financial adviser. ☐ Employer / payroll. ☐ Regular subscriptions.
VEHICLES & TRAVEL ☐ Driving licence details. ☐ Vehicle log book details. ☐ Vehicle insurance. ☐ Breakdown cover. ☐ Parking permits. ☐ Travel memberships.	HEALTH & FAMILY ☐ GP practice. ☐ Dentist. ☐ Optician. ☐ Schools / nursery. ☐ Pet microchip / vet records. ☐ Regular care providers.
POST & ACCOUNTS ☐ Mail redirection if needed. ☐ Online shopping accounts. ☐ Mobile phone provider. ☐ Memberships. ☐ Loyalty schemes. ☐ Friends and family.	PROPERTY ☐ Estate / letting agent. ☐ Solicitor / conveyancer. ☐ Factor / property manager if applicable. ☐ Alarm / security provider. ☐ Cleaner / gardener. ☐ Future scheduled deliveries.

REFERENCE NOTES

PROVIDER / ACCOUNT

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Moving-day essentials

These are the things you do not want buried at the back of the van.

KEEP WITH YOU ☐ Keys for both properties. ☐ Phone and chargers. ☐ Wallet / purse. ☐ Important documents. ☐ Medication. ☐ Jewellery / small valuables. ☐ Water and snacks.	FIRST-NIGHT BOX ☐ Kettle, mugs, tea / coffee. ☐ Toilet roll. ☐ Soap and towels. ☐ Basic toiletries. ☐ Bedding / sleepwear. ☐ Phone chargers. ☐ Basic cutlery / plates.
HANDY TOOLS ☐ Scissors / box cutter. ☐ Screwdrivers. ☐ Allen keys. ☐ Tape measure. ☐ Marker pen. ☐ Bin bags. ☐ Cleaning cloths.	CHILDREN / PETS ☐ Favourite toy / comfort item. ☐ Food and drinks. ☐ Change of clothes. ☐ Pet food / bowls. ☐ Lead / carrier. ☐ Any medication. ☐ Bedding / blankets.

YOUR OPEN-FIRST BOXES

BOX 1

BOX 2

BOX 3

BOX 4

Mark these boxes clearly on the top and side so they are easy to spot while unloading.

Will it fit?

Five minutes with a tape measure can prevent a very awkward moving-day surprise.

FURNITURE MEASUREMENTS

ITEM	WIDTH	HEIGHT	DEPTH / LENGTH	DISMANTLES?

COLLECTION PROPERTY

- ☐ Measure the narrowest doorway.
- ☐ Check hallway width.
- ☐ Check staircase width and turns.
- ☐ Check lift dimensions if relevant.
- ☐ Check parking distance / restrictions.

DELIVERY PROPERTY

- ☐ Measure the narrowest doorway.
- ☐ Check hallway width.
- ☐ Check staircase width and turns.
- ☐ Check lift dimensions if relevant.
- ☐ Check parking distance / restrictions.

GOOD TO KNOW

Sofa feet, doors, table legs and bed frames can sometimes be removed to gain valuable centimetres. Only dismantle items you can safely reassemble.

NARROWEST COLLECTION ACCESS

NARROWEST DELIVERY ACCESS

PARKING / ACCESS NOTES

Before you close the door

The final few minutes are when small things are easiest to forget.

BEFORE LEAVING THE OLD HOME

- ☐ Check every room, cupboard, loft and storage area.
- ☐ Check garage, shed and garden.
- ☐ Take final meter readings / photos.
- ☐ Close and secure windows.
- ☐ Switch off anything agreed / required.
- ☐ Collect all keys.
- ☐ Keep important documents with you.
- ☐ Check nothing remains outside or behind doors.

AT THE NEW HOME

- ☐ Decide where large furniture goes before unloading.
- ☐ Check boxes against your room labels.
- ☐ Inspect fragile or high-value items.
- ☐ Locate stopcock / fuse box if needed.
- ☐ Take opening meter readings / photos.
- ☐ Check you have all keys.
- ☐ Set up the essentials box first.
- ☐ Keep pathways clear while unloading.

IMPORTANT CONTACTS

REMOVAL COMPANY

ESTATE / LETTING AGENT

SOLICITOR

OTHER

NOTES

WHEN YOU'RE READY TO MOVE

Move Any Route can help with furniture delivery, house moves, storage and two-person service.
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