

How to

Move Across the Country: Everything You Need to Know

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Moving supplies checklist

For the best moving experience, it's important to have all of the following supplies on hand:

- Boxes of various sizes
- Packing tape
- Scissors
- Dolly or hand truck
- Bubble wrap, newspaper, or towels and linens for packing material
- Box cutters
- Gloves
- Blankets for furniture protection
- Permanent markers for labeling
- Bungee cords, ropes, or twine to prevent boxes and furniture from shifting
- Cleaning supplies



Moving to a new house checklist

Here are the things you should do to make sure you're completely prepared for your move.

8 weeks before the move

- Plan how you will move your things.
- Visit your new home before you move there.
- Set your moving budget.
- Do research on the schools in your new area.
- Let your landlord know you're moving.

7 weeks before the move

- Get at least three moving estimates to compare prices.
- Ask your friends for help early.
- Rent a storage unit if needed.
- Reserve your truck if you plan to drive yourself.

6 weeks before the move

- Schedule movers if you're hiring professionals.
- Book your travel if you need plane tickets or hotels.
- Notify your health insurance provider you're moving.
- Order or gather your moving supplies.
- Record any tax-deductible moving expenses.
- Update your home and auto insurance.
- Let your children's school know they are moving.

5 weeks before the move

- Plan your packing process.
- Begin decluttering your home.
- Donate unneeded items.
- Sell belongings you won't need or don't use.
- Update community and gym memberships.

4 weeks before the move

- Get your car checked if you're driving.
- Begin packing your home.
- Confirm with your moving company.
- Make sure family and friends know you're moving.

3 weeks before the move

- Let your housekeeping, landscaper, etc. know of your move.
- Find a babysitter for moving day.
- Forward your mail to your new address.
- Call your utility provider.
- Update your Medicare and social security address if applicable.

2 weeks before the move

- Transfer your medical records and prescriptions.
- Order furniture to your new home.
- Take your pet to the vet for a checkup.
- Plan time off work.
- Update banking information.

1 week before the move

- Clean your house.
- Do a final inspection with your landlord.
- Run errands.
- Plan trash removal.
- Pack your kitchen.



1 day before the move

- Pack your suitcase.
- Let your neighbors know so they know to expect a moving truck.
- Be prepared to tip your movers.
- Defrost your freezer.

Moving Day

- Pack the truck.
- Let your movers know which boxes are fragile.
- Do a double check of your home.
- Turn in your keys.
- Be on your way.