



PREPARING FOR A MOVE IS EASIER THAN YOU THINK.

When preparing to move, organizing your belongings and creating a packet or set of documents to help facilitate the process is essential.

Here's a list of what should be included in your moving packet:

1. Moving Checklist:

Create a moving checklist outlining all the tasks you must complete before, during, and after the move. This will serve as your road map throughout the moving process.

2. Moving Company Information:

If you're using a professional moving company, include their contact information, contract or estimate, and any correspondence related to your move.

3. Personal Identification and Important Documents:

Keep copies of important documents such as passports, driver's licenses, birth certificates, social security cards, and other personal identification papers in a secure folder.

4. Financial Records:

Include banking and financial records, including account information, credit card details, and checkbooks.

5. Medical Records:

Copies of medical records, prescriptions, and insurance information for all family members, including pets.

6. School Records:

If you have school-aged children, include transcripts, report cards, and records of any necessary school transfers.

7. Moving Contracts and Agreements:

Any contracts or agreements related to your move, such as the lease or purchase agreement for your new home.

8. Inventory List:

Create an inventory list of your belongings, especially valuable or sentimental items. This can be helpful for insurance purposes and to ensure everything arrives at your new home.

9. Moving Budget:

Keep track of your moving expenses, including receipts for packing supplies, moving company fees, and any other related costs.

10. Utilities Information:

Provide a list of current utility providers (electricity, gas, water, internet, cable) and contact information. Also, note when to disconnect services at your old address and set them up at your new one.

11. Change of Address Notifications:

Notify relevant parties of your change of address, including the post office, banks, credit card companies, and subscription services.

12. Packing and Moving Supplies:

Include a list of packing supplies, such as boxes, packing tape, bubble wrap, and labels.



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13. Emergency Contact List:

Create a list of emergency contacts, including friends, family members, and neighbors in your old and new locations.

14. Pet Information:

If you have pets, include their veterinary records, microchip information, and any necessary permits or documentation for travel.

15. Valuables and Sentimental Items:

Safeguard valuable items, such as jewelry, heirlooms, and important sentimental possessions, in a secure place or safe deposit box.

16. Personal Essentials:

Pack a box with essential items for the first few days in your new home, including toiletries, clothing, bedding, and kitchen essentials.

17. Important Keys:

Keep all necessary keys (house keys, car keys, storage unit keys) in a designated place for easy access.

A well-organized moving packet will help ensure a smoother transition during your move and reduce the chances of forgetting essential items or documents. Keep this packet with you during the move, rather than packing it with your other belongings, to ensure it remains easily accessible.



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