

# Moving Checklist

*We get it- moving is stressful!*

*But guess what? We're experts at it!*

*Let us guide the way and follow this step-by-step timeline to help make your move a success one.*

## Six Weeks Out

### 1. **Order packaging supplies.**

Make sure to order boxes and other supplies like tape, markers or labels, and bubble wrap. Or scratch this step and opt in for our packing services where we take care of this for ya!

### 2. **Use it up or toss it out.**

Start thinking about things that you can't take with you during a move- like perishable foods, frozen foods and cleaning supplies. May be a good idea to skip the take-out for the next few weeks and gobble up those frozen pizzas and ice cream sandwiches.

### 3. **Size it up.**

Note the room dimensions at your new home and make sure larger pieces of furniture will fit- last thing you want on move-in day is a sofa that can't suck it in enough to get through the door- now that's just embarrassing.

## One Month Before

### 1. **Choose your mover- Wisely**

Select a company- (like us at Scobey Moving + Storage!) and get a quote about the cost of your move along with written confirmation of your moving date, costs, and other small details.

### 2. **Let The Packing Begin**

Start packing the small stuff- things that you don't use on a daily basis and you can live without until you're in your new home. You know, things like that turkey baster or holiday décor.

*Most importantly*, while packing, note your items of special value that will require additional insurance from your moving company. Make sure to mention these items to your moving company, and have them make a written note for you. The best way to go about this is to note any items valued over \$100 per pound, like a laptop.

### 3. **Label (If You're Packing).**

Clearly label and number each box with its contents and the room it's for. This ought to help keep an inventory of your things. Super Smart Packer Tip- Pack and label an "essentials" box (or

boxes) of items you'll need right away, and add "load last" to it's label so when you arrive to your new place, your box is easy to access with the things you'll need right away.

**4. Separate your valuables- and keep them with you for safekeeping.**

Add items such as jewelry and important files to a safe box that you'll personally transport to your new home. This is a good spot to place your mover's estimate too, you'll need it for reference on moving day.

**5. Change Your Address at the Post Office**

Go to your local post office and fill out a change-of-address form, or for an even easier way to check it off the list- do it online at [usps.gov](https://usps.gov).

**6. Notify those who need to know.**

Here's a step most people forget and regret- Letting places like your brokerage firm, your employer's human resources department, subscriptions you have, your credit card company, insurance, and utility companies know you're moving is important. Don't miss this step!

## Two Weeks Before

**1. Ask for the day off**

Now's about the time to notify your employers that you plan to be there for the move and need the day off.

**2. Contact the moving company- In our case, we'll call you!**

The 2 week mark is where our awesome customer service team will reach out to reconfirm the arrangements. You're around the corner now!

## A Few Days Before

**1. Defrost that freezer.**

Here's something else a lot of people forget to do, and if we can save you some angst on move-in day, by golly we're happy to! Unplug your refrigerator and defrost your freezer at least 24 hours before moving day and toss out any remaining food you may have.

## Moving Day

**1. Make sure we show up!**

Make sure that the moving truck that rolls up to your house is from the company you hired: Here's an easy way to do it- The USDOT number painted on its side will match the number on the estimate you were given by the salesman who gave you your quote.

**2. Take inventory- grab your paper!**

Before the movers leave, make sure your stuff is all accounted for. If you chose us as movers, we'll be happy to help you here.

**3. Enjoy Your New Place** Grab a soda pop from your essentials box, plopping on your couch and give yourself a pat on the back- you're now a master of moving!