



Moving House Checklist

All the things you need to know from two months before up to move-in day.

Two months before you move

| Task | Priority | Who's doing it? | Completed |
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| Give notice to landlord if necessary | | | |
| Research your new area e.g., doctors' surgeries, dentists, schools, etc. | | | |
| <i>Start decluttering:</i> | | | |
| Kitchen | | | |
| Bathroom | | | |
| Bedroom | | | |
| Living room | | | |
| Study | | | |
| Notify your landline and broadband providers about your change of address | | | |
| Start collecting free boxes | | | |

One month before you move

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| Organise your moving van and assistance | | | |
| Research parking restrictions to make sure your van will have access | | | |
| Tell HMRC about your change of address | | | |
| Register to vote at your new address | | | |
| Register your new address for council tax | | | |
| Research and purchase moving insurance | | | |
| Look into transferring over your current home insurance | | | |
| Arrange post redirection with the Royal Mail | | | |
| Create a list of your home's inventory | | | |
| Take photos of all your furniture | | | |
| Start cleaning and packing outside areas, such as the garden, shed and garage | | | |

Two weeks before you move

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| Pack anything not essential for the next two weeks | | | |
| Label all your boxes with their destination room | | | |
| Use up all your frozen food | | | |
| Check that your car is serviced and in good condition | | | |
| Arrange for childcare or pet care | | | |
| Register to the GP in your new area | | | |
| Send copies of your children's school records to their new school | | | |
| Contact the DVLA to change your address on your driving licence and V5C | | | |
| Request as much time off work as you need for your move | | | |
| Look into booking a storage unit if you need to | | | |

One week before you move

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| Confirm the time and date of your move with your moving company | | | |
| Provide moving company with any directions they might need | | | |
| Finish packing up your items by order of how essential they are | | | |
| Pack a bag of essentials to keep separate on the day of the move | | | |
| Organise a locksmith to change the locks on your new house if necessary | | | |
| Start disassembling less important furniture items if possible | | | |
| Organise a final walkthrough and inspection with your landlord if renting | | | |
| Dismantle any fitted wall items e.g., shelves or pictures | | | |
| Repair any damage done to your old property | | | |
| Redirect your TV licence to your new house | | | |

Three days before you move

| Task | Priority | Who's doing it? | Completed |
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| Do your laundry | | | |
| Label and remove all old house keys from your keyring | | | |
| Make a list of the contact names and number of people and services you will need in the first few days after your move | | | |
| Contact your utility companies at least 48 hours before move in day | | | |
| Find out when you'll receive keys to your new home and organise collection | | | |
| Pack your documents and valuables separately | | | |
| Disconnect any appliances you're taking with you | | | |
| Throw away leftover food | | | |
| Take pictures of the backs of your electronics so you know how to reconnect them | | | |
| Empty and defrost your fridge/freezer- essentials into a cooler bag | | | |

Essentials for the day of the move

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| Create your plan for packing your van and load everything up | | | |
| Check through your old home to make sure you haven't left anything | | | |
| Clean your old home | | | |
| Make sure all windows and doors are locked | | | |
| Make a note of all meter readings | | | |
| Take photos of the empty rooms as proof of their condition | | | |
| Keep your moving bag with essentials separate from the rest of your packing | | | |
| Return the keys to your old house to the relevant party | | | |
| Check to see if the utilities are working at your new place | | | |
| Make sure to check that nothing has been left in your moving van | | | |
| Set up any major appliances e.g., the fridge, while you still have people to help you move them | | | |