

Moving home checklist

Onward
living

Six weeks to go

- ☐ Confirm your move-in date
- ☐ Get 3 to 4 removals estimates and book your chosen firm
- ☐ Start collecting boxes. Lots of boxes.
- ☐ Start stocking up on wrapping materials for breakables

Two weeks to go

- ☐ Start packing non-essential items
- ☐ Organise transfer of utilities
- ☐ Redirect your mail through the Post Office
- ☐ Get your phone number redirected
- ☐ Switch your TV license
- ☐ Start using up food in your freezer

One day to go

- ☐ Defrost the freezer
- ☐ Prepare a moving day essentials box – tea bags, kettle, mugs, phone chargers, etc.
- ☐ Disconnect the dishwasher/washing machine
- ☐ Leave the Hoover out for any last-minute cleaning
- ☐ Let your neighbours know there will be a removals van in the street
- ☐ Plan the route from your old home to the new one

Four weeks to go

- ☐ Give notice to your landlord (if renting)
- ☐ Order flooring and curtains/blinds for your new home
- ☐ Plan where your furniture will go and dispose of any unwanted items
- ☐ Book some time off work for the move if needed
- ☐ Have a good declutter and throw out what you don't need

One week to go

- ☐ Confirm removals date and time
- ☐ Start packing and label boxes room-by-room
- ☐ Notify key contacts i.e. bank, doctor, dentist, etc.
- ☐ Inform your local council of your change of address
- ☐ Inform your household and car insurance firms
- ☐ Let your family and friends know you're moving
- ☐ Arrange care for children / pets during the move
- ☐ Where possible, dismantle non-essential furniture
- ☐ Settle any outstanding bills

On the day

- ☐ Meet the removers – swap numbers in case they get lost
- ☐ Take final meter readings
- ☐ Have a final check to make sure nothing has been missed
- ☐ Make sure windows and doors are locked and utilities are switched off