

Moving Checklist

Moving date: _____ New address: _____

Eight weeks before

- ☐ Set a moving budget
- ☐ Get three quotes and book movers
- ☐ Reserve a truck if moving yourself
- ☐ Decide what to sell, donate or throw out
- ☐ Start a folder for leases and records
- ☐ Check parking permits and elevator booking
- ☐ Give your landlord written notice
- ☐ _____

Four weeks before

- ☐ Order boxes, tape, bubble wrap and markers
- ☐ Pack the rooms you use least
- ☐ File a change of address with the post office
- ☐ Transfer or cancel gas, electric, water, internet
- ☐ Update the address with bank, work, insurance
- ☐ Register at the new school, request records
- ☐ Book time off for moving day
- ☐ Start eating down the freezer and pantry
- ☐ _____

Two weeks before

- ☐ Confirm the date and arrival window with movers
- ☐ Pack room by room and label every box
- ☐ List the boxes and anything valuable
- ☐ Arrange care for pets and small children
- ☐ Cancel deliveries, gym and local subscriptions
- ☐ Return library books and borrowed items
- ☐ Pick up dry cleaning and spare keys
- ☐ Back up your computer
- ☐ _____

Notes

Moving week

- ☐ Pack a first-night box: bedding, towels, soap
- ☐ Defrost and clean the fridge and freezer
- ☐ Finish packing everything but essentials
- ☐ Set aside documents, keys, chargers, medicine
- ☐ Confirm access and key handover at the new place
- ☐ Photograph meter readings at the old place
- ☐ Clean each room as it empties
- ☐ _____

Moving day

- ☐ Walk the movers through every room
- ☐ Keep documents and valuables with you
- ☐ Check all closets, the attic and the shed
- ☐ Take final meter readings and photos
- ☐ Hand over keys and leave forwarding details
- ☐ Pay the movers and keep the receipt
- ☐ _____

After the move

- ☐ Take meter readings at the new place
- ☐ Check the boxes against your list
- ☐ Update your ID, license and voter registration
- ☐ Find the water shut-off, breaker box and trash day
- ☐ Register with a new doctor and dentist
- ☐ Change the locks if you want to
- ☐ Unpack one room at a time
- ☐ _____

Utility & account numbers

Work down the list from the top. Every stage has a blank line for the tasks only your move needs.