

Essential Moving Calendar & Checklist

8 WEEKS OUT

- Get in-home estimates from moving companies and select the one that best meets your needs. Make sure to discuss cost, liability coverage, packing, loading, delivery, and claims procedures.
- Clean out your basement, attic, and/or garage

6 WEEKS OUT

- Sort through closets and storage areas and pick a day to hold a yard sale. If you don't want to hold one, find a place to throw out, give away, or sell things you don't want or need.
- Order packing supplies

4 WEEKS OUT

- Meet with your mover to set a moving date. If the mover will do the packing, arrange for it to be done two days before loading
- If packing yourself, begin packing rarely used items like china, seasonal decor, and things in storage
- Send furniture, drapes, and carpets for cleaning and repair
- Arrange for temporary or permanent storage of your belongings
- Secure parking permits, elevator reservations, or loading docks if necessary
- Notify banks, insurance companies, and service providers of your move
- Notify utility companies and arrange for transfer of services

3 WEEKS OUT

- Schedule for appliances in your current home disconnected and for them to be hooked up in your new home
- Make travel arrangements and book hotel reservations for your trip
- Begin packing all but essential items

2 WEEKS OUT

- Obtain medical, dental, and veterinary records
- Organize car license, registration, and insurance records
- File a change of address form with the Post Office
- Make arrangements for the transportation of pets and plants
- Take care of bills, stocks, insurance, and bank accounts

1 WEEK OUT

- Complete packing down to a travel suitcases of essentials
- Transfer prescriptions
- Discontinue home deliver services (i.e. newspapers)
- Arrange for a babysitter on moving day

1-2 DAYS OUT

- Defrost and dry refrigerators and freezers
- Arrange preferred payment for the moving company
- If traveling by car, check gas, tires, water, battery, oil, and wipers
- Keep valuables, like cash, jewelry, credit cards, etc. with you as your travel