

MOVING DAY CHECKLIST

Everything you need to do before, during and after your move - from people who've done it 500+ times.

6 WEEKS OUT

Start Early, Stress Less

- **Book your removalists**
Good removalists book out quickly - especially on weekends and end of month.
- **Start decluttering**
Moving is the perfect time to go through everything. Less stuff = less to move.
- **Get packing materials**
Start collecting boxes. You'll also need packing tape, bubble wrap, and markers.
- **Notify important contacts**
Bank, Medicare, ATO, electoral roll, subscriptions, school, mail senders.

2-4 WEEKS OUT

Pack Smart, Label Everything

- **Pack room by room**
Don't mix rooms in the same box. Label every box with the room and contents.
- **Pack heavy items in small boxes**
Books, tools, and kitchen items in smaller boxes. Light items in large boxes.
- **Wrap fragile items properly**
Plates upright (not flat). Glasses wrapped individually. Bubble wrap generously.
- **Confirm utilities at new address**
Book electricity, gas, and internet. Internet especially can take weeks.
- **Redirect your mail**
Set up mail redirection through Australia Post.

1 WEEK OUT

Final Preparation

- **Confirm your booking**
Touch base with your removalists to confirm time, access, and any special items.
- **Pack an essentials box**
Phone chargers, toilet paper, kettle, coffee, change of clothes, medications.

- **Defrost the fridge and freezer**

Do this at least 24 hours before. An undefrosted fridge is a mess in the truck.

- **Disassemble large furniture**

Keep all screws in a labelled zip-lock bag taped to the piece.

- **Clear access at both properties**

Check parking, stairwells, lifts and notify building management if required.

MOVING DAY

The Day Itself

- **Be there when the removalists arrive**

Flag any fragile items that need extra care.

- **Do a final walkthrough before leaving**

Check every room, cupboard, garage, and outdoor area.

- **Take meter readings**

Photograph electricity and gas meters at both properties.

- **Hand over keys**

Windows closed, taps off, appliances unplugged, everything locked.