

# Moving Checklist

Print this page and use it to check off the important "things to do" as you prepare for your next move!

## Address Change

- Post Office: Give Forwarding address, 4 - 6 weeks
- Charge accounts, credit cards
- Subscriptions: notice requires 6 - 8 weeks
- Friends and relatives

## Medical, Dental, Prescription Histories

- Ask Doctor and Dentist for referrals, transfer needed prescriptions, eyeglasses, X-rays. Obtain birth records, medical records, etc.
- Don't forget to check with your Optometrist for your prescription too.
- Also, check with your vet to get your pets records and a letter of reference to a new vet. ( We found this was very helpful in letting the new vet know we paid our bills and that our pets were important family members.)

## Important

- Obtain school records for your children
- Veterans notify your draft board or VA office
- Check to see if your will must be rewritten when moving across state lines

## Don't Forget To:

- Empty freezer, plan use of foods
- Defrost freezer and clean refrigerator. Place charcoal to dispel odors
- Have appliances serviced for moving
- Remember arrangements for TV and cable
- Clean rugs or clothing before moving: have them moving - wrapped
- Check with your Moving Counselor: insurance coverage, packing and unpacking labor, arrival day, various shipping papers, method and time of expected payment.
- Plan for special care needs of infants or pets
- Check with Agricultural Department of new state to see if they have any restrictions on plants
- Refill drug prescriptions
- Have car tuned up for trip if you are driving to your new destination

## On Moving Day

- Carry enough cash or travelers checks to cover costs of moving services
- Carry jewelry and document yourself, or use registered mail
- Plan for transporting of pets, they are poor traveling companions if unhappy
- Let close friends or relatives know the route and schedule you will travel including over night stops. Use one person as message headquarters

- Double check closets, drawers, shelves, and attic to be sure they are empty
- Leave old keys, garage door openers, broiler pans, landscape/house plans and instructional manuals needed by new owner with Realtor or in kitchen drawer.

### **At Your New Address**

- Obtain certified check or cashier's check necessary for closing Real Estate Transaction (check with title/escrow company for details.)
- Check on service of telephone, gas, electricity, water and garbage
- Check pilot light on stove, hot water heater and furnace. Have appliances checked
- Ask Mailman for any mail he may be holding for your arrival
- Have a new address recorded on driver's license
- Visit city offices and register for voting
- Register car within 5 days after arrival in state or a penalty may have to be paid when getting new license plates
- Obtain inspection sticker and transfer motor club membership
- Apply for state Driver's license
- Register family in your new place of worship
- Register children in school
- Arrange for medical services: Doctor, Dentist, Vet, etc.

### **Bank**

- Transfer funds, arrange check-cashing in new city
- Arrange credit references

### **Insurance**

- Notify company of new location for coverage: Life, Health, Fire and Auto

### **Utility Companies**

- Gas, light, water, telephone, cable
- Get refunds on any deposits made

### **Delivery Service**

- Laundry, newspaper, changeover

### **Pets**

- Ask about regulations for licenses, vaccinations, tags, etc.