



Safety tips for a smooth move

Help keep your move safe every step of the way



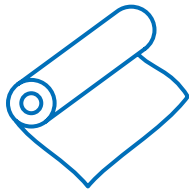
Pack an overnight bag containing all your essentials

Chances are, you'll be too tired to unpack your things right away. You'll want to have easy access to these essential items.



Take a photo of how your electronics are connected

This way you can remember how and where all the wires go. This will make the setup at your new residence much faster and easier.



Wrap your breakables

Wrap dishes, glasses, etc. in clothing to save on bubble wrap.



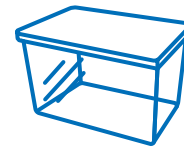
Remember to defrost your refrigerator

Do this at least a day before moving. Be sure to wipe up any liquid.



Keep sandwich bags handy for holding any small parts

Tape the sandwich bags to the back of the item they correspond to.



Pack the items you will need first in a clear plastic bin

The clear bin allows you to see inside; it also separates itself from the rest of the cardboard boxes.



Load your truck correctly

Put the heaviest items at the front and tie down anything that might move around. If you stack boxes in the truck, put the heavy ones on the bottom.



Rent the right equipment

Save back strain and help move larger, heavier pieces. A dolly or two will save you from carrying boxes too far. Heavier boxes can be stacked and moved more easily.



Have a plan for children and pets

Arrange for childcare for kids or board your pets.



Pace yourself

Go slow and take plenty of breaks. It's when you're rushing to get the move over with that careless accidents are most likely to happen.



Be careful with heavy boxes

Make sure all boxes weigh less than 50 pounds. If you're unsure of the box's weight, try lifting it. You should be able to lift it without too much strain and feel steady on your feet.



Wear protective clothing

Make sure that you wear comfortable clothing and protective (no open-toed sandals), supportive footwear.

