

Moving Timeline Checklist

An 8-week moving timeline checklist showing exactly what to do each week before moving day.

8 Weeks Out

- Set your moving budget
- Book a moving company or reserve a rental truck
- Start decluttering — donate, sell or bin what you won't take

6 Weeks Out

- Order boxes and packing supplies
- Begin packing rarely used items and seasonal goods
- Create a room-by-room inventory

4 Weeks Out

- Give notice to your landlord or finalize sale dates
- Book time off work for moving day
- Arrange childcare and pet care for the day
- Pack non-essential rooms and label every box

2 Weeks Out

- Set up or transfer utilities and internet
- File a change of address and update key accounts
- Confirm details and timing with your movers
- Use up freezer and pantry food

1 Week Out

- Pack everything except daily essentials
- Prepare a first-night box and keep it aside
- Disassemble large furniture
- Confirm parking and access for the truck

Moving Day

- Take meter readings and final photos of the empty home
- Do a room-by-room walkthrough before the truck leaves
- Keep valuables and documents with you
- Hand over keys

Week After

- Unpack essentials, then one room at a time
- Update your license, registration and local records
- Test alarms and locate shut-off valves and the fuse box
- Confirm final bills from your old providers are settled