

TIME TO
get moving

YOUR COMPLETE GUIDE TO PACKING



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FOUR WEEK MOVING CHECKLIST

four weeks to go

- File a change of address form with the Post Office.
- Notify creditors, magazines and book/music clubs of your new address.
- Retrieve your family's medical records and ask doctors and dentists to recommend a colleague in your new town.
- Decide which items can be sold, discarded or donated to charity.
- Complete your own inventory of each possession, including date purchased and estimated value.
- Notify the local utilities at your origin/destination to have service turned off/on as needed.
- Notify your children's schools, your church and other organizations of your impending move.

three weeks to go

- Decide which items you will be packing yourself.
- Sketch out a general floor plan of your new home to determine the placement of furnishings.
- Make a list of important names, addresses and phone numbers, and be sure to take your phone book with you.
- Notify your Jersey Moving Pro agent if anything about your relocation has changed (dates, etc.).
- Make arrangements for moving your plants and pets.
- Contact your bank and transfer the contents of your safety deposit box.
- Check your homeowner's policy to see if moving is covered by your insurer.
- Transfer insurance to cover fire, theft and personal property at your new home

two weeks to go

- If shipping an automobile, top off fluids like oil and antifreeze, but make plans to have the gas tank less than half full.
- Plan your own trip to your new home and make the necessary travel arrangements for your family.
- Arrange for the proper servicing of all appliances at your origin and destination. Dispose of flammable items such as gasoline, matches, bleach, cleaning fluids and aerosol cans. Read about what other items not to pack.
- Discontinue regular services like newspaper delivery, trash pick-up and lawn service.
- Finalize your plans for larger items (TV antenna, swing set, trampoline, etc.).

one week to go

- Arrange for the payment of your Jersey Moving Pro. driver at destination. Unless your relocation is being billed to your employer or previous credit approval has been secured, payment by cash, certified check or money order is required before unloading.
- Transfer bank accounts so you don't lose any interest.
- Make arrangements to disconnect/connect local phone service at your origin/destination. Determine which items you will be taking with you (jewelry, etc.). Pack and set them aside in a designated area.
- Use up all frozen foods or give them away.
- Drain the fuel from lawnmowers and other gas-powered equipment.

one day before

- Pack a box of things you'll need as soon as you arrive at your new home. Take this box with you, or have your Jersey Moving Pro. driver load it last and unload it first.
- This is usually the day packing is done; verify all packing services have been performed before signing for them.
- Defrost, clean and dry your refrigerator.

moving day

- Plan to be at your current home when our movers arrive and throughout the loading of your shipment. If you're not able to be there, make sure the driver has the name and number of the person you've designated to oversee the process.
- Check the condition of your goods as they are inventoried and loaded.
- Make a final tour of your home/property and verify that nothing has been overlooked.
- Sign the Bill of Lading, double-checking that your new address and phone number are correct.
- Lock all doors and windows and turn off all switches.

move-in day

- If possible, arrive at your new home a day early to make sure utilities are connected.
- Plan the placement of major items in/around your home.
- Be on hand to pay the driver prior to the unloading of your goods.

MOVING WITH YOUR *fur baby*

Moving to a new home may be one of the most stressful life events you'll ever have to tackle. But in the chaos of cardboard boxes, packing tape and moving trucks, you might not realize how stressed your pets feel, too. Read on for ways to make the transition as safe and easy as possible for your furry friends.

- Prepare an over night kit (food, toys, kitty litter, pet bed)
- Contact your vet for medical records and ask for a referral for a vet in your new town.
- Take your pet in your vehicle
- Keep your pet secluded and check on them often. Be sure to keep them on schedule with feeding times and walks.
- After you move, make sure you update their tags or microchip information to the new address and phone number.

WHAT NOT TO *pack!*

Hazardous items

For the safety of your shipment, there are several items that are illegal to move on our moving trucks. These items are flammable or combustible, so they cannot be moved on the truck as a safety precaution to prevent fires. Other items, such as cleaning agents and bleach, are both flammable and if they leak they could potentially ruin your furniture on the shipment. Be sure to discard these items before your move or move them in your own vehicle.

- Aerosol cans (regardless of content)
- Flammables (like Sterno, charcoal, lighter fluid, matches, and lighters)
- Nail polish and remover
- Fire extinguishers
- Alcohol
- Any type of gas in bottles or tanks (including propane or oxygen)
- Paints, varnishes, solvents, thinners and oils
- Household cleaners (like ammonia and bleach)
- Batteries
- Ammunition
- Fertilizers and pesticides

Food for thought

Although they're not hazardous, perishable foods and plants also pop up on our things-not-to-pack list. Even though they're not flammable or toxic, they can attract bugs, rats, and other pests that could damage your property -- zero fun for anyone. Common perishables are things like:

- Frozen or refrigerated food
- Produce
- Open food items
- Plants (indoor and outdoor)
- Fresh herbs
- Flowers

Feel terrible throwing away all of that food? No worries! Jersey Moving Pro. has partnered up with Move For Hunger!



By providing people with the opportunity to donate their food when they move, we believe we can eliminate food waste during the relocation process. Why is that important? Because 35 million Americans move every single year. If we recovered just 1 pound of food from each of them, we'd be able to provide 29 million meals to people all across the country.

how it works..



Set aside your unopened, non-perishable food items.



Our crew will pack it up and deliver it to the local food pantry.



Your donations will be delivered to your neighbors in need.

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Move for hunger delivered more than 5 million pounds of food and organized 700 food drives!