

London Moving Checklist



Two Months Before Moving

- Start de-cluttering your old possessions

- If renting, notify your Landlord using the proper notice

- Check your tenancy deposit protection schemes

- Check your new place's local newspapers and community websites

- Start collecting free boxes

- Notify your land phone provider

- Notify your internet service provider

One Month Before Moving

- Start collecting quotes from moving companies

- Check parking restrictions on both your addresses

- Contact the HMRC and change your address

- Register as a voter at your new local council

Notify the relevant authorities for tax purposes

Purchase a moving insurance

Transfer your homeowners or renters insurance

Arrange your mail redirection

Two Weeks Before Moving

Have your car checked and serviced

Arrange a caretaker for infants and/or pets

Start emptying your freezer from food

Notify your newspaper delivery guy and milkman

Find a new local GP

Arrange a caretaker for infants and/or pets

Send copies of school records to the new school

Contact the DVLA to change your Driving License

Request time off work for moving the day



One Week Before Moving

- Confirm date and exact hour with your moving company
- Contact a locksmith to schedule a change of locks
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- Book a safety deposit box for jewellery and documents
- Set a final walk-through with your landlord
- Fill nail holes with a soap bar before the walkthrough
- Prepare entertainment materials for the kids
- Direct your TV license
- Return borrowed items to your friends and neighbours

3 Days Before Moving

- Do the weekly laundry
- Label any spare keys to your old home
- Make a box of essential first-days items
- Make a list of contact details of services you'll need

Contact your existing and new electricity company

Contact your existing and new gas company

Contact your water supply company

Measure your new place's entry points to be sure your furniture would fit

2 Days Before Moving

Contact your estate agent/landlord to arrange key exchange

Pack your documents and valuables and put them aside

Disconnect any gas cookers and other appliances you're moving with

Prepare cash for the movers and any last-minute items

Throw away any food with an expired/expiring date

1 Day Before Moving

Empty and defrost your fridge/freezer

Pack your belongings

Put all your hardware in labelled bags

Label each box according to the room they belong

Mark boxes with fragile items

Do a final check out of your old home

Charge your phone

Prepare a snack-box with dry food and refreshments

Have a good night sleep

Moving Day

Show the removal team the boxes they should transport

Leave your children and/or pets at the scheduled venues

Do one final cleaning at the place

Make a note of all meters reading

Make sure all windows and doors are locked

Take photos as you are leaving the place

Make another final check on the whole place

Pack the last-minute items from the bathroom

Place your last-night sleepwear on top of the "Bedroom" box

After You've Moved

- Return the keys to your old property

 - Make sure all the setup procedures for your new place are done

 - Check if electricity, water, and gas are running

 - Take pictures of your new home's condition

 - Offer refreshments to the movers

 - Make sure the locksmith arrives and changes the locks

 - Make one last check on the removals van for anything forgotten

 - Sweep your chimney before you use it for the first time

 - Relax, order a take-away and enjoy your new place
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