



MOVING CHECKLIST

OLD LOCATION

- Arrange for a professional mover: get recommendations from friends and review sites, check with Better Business Bureau, get 3 quotes
- Disclose to potential movers everything (rooms and quantity of stuff and what to expect for unloading (stairs, halls, elevators, etc.) so they can give a reasonable quote
- Arrange packing materials
- Arrange dumpster, especially if it's been a long time since you've moved
- Take complete inventory of household goods and print out lists
- Photograph items of value to keep in case of a dispute over loss or damage
- Check with your Schill Insurance Broker about coverage for the move, transfer of policies
- Clean out closets/garage
- Send draperies and rugs to cleaners in time for packing with other goods
- Defrost freezer
- Arrange cleaning service for final cleanup

Call the following to have services shut off and/or changed to new address:

- Cable TV/Internet company
- Electricity
- Gas
- Newspaper delivery
- Dairy/grocery delivery
- Telephone plan

Notify companies and people of your change of address, either online or via postal change-of-address cards:

[Canada Post](#)

[BC Government \(MSP and ICBC\)](#)

- Credit cards
- Charge accounts
- Loan companies
- Subscriptions
- Friends, relatives

HOUSEHOLD & PERSONAL BUSINESS:

- Pick up any clothing, storage items from cleaners
- Empty safe-deposit box
- Arrange for banking in new location
- Arrange for local school to transfer children's records

Search online dentist reviews or ask dentist for recommendations of new dentist - arrange for current records to be forwarded:

General dentist _____

Orthodontist _____

Other _____

Search online doctor reviews or ask physician(s) for recommendations -- arrange for records to be forwarded.

Family doctor _____

Pediatrician _____

Specialists _____



- Obtain veterinarian records
- Have appliances serviced for moving, if necessary
- Transfer social, civic organization memberships; obtain letters of introduction

Record moving company's toll-free phone number and the mobile of the driver:

Phone number _____

Mobile number _____

PACKING UP AND SUCH

- Use uniform boxes that stack easily
- Pack household goods into numbered boxes labeled with appropriate room
- Carefully pack any items you absolutely don't want lost or damaged and take them with you
- Scan important papers - birth certificates, wills, the contract with the movers - and take the originals with you
- Pack supplies you'll need on the day of the move: bathroom items, eating utensils, snacks, drinks, breakfast food, pet food, medical needs, etc.
- Check closets, shelves, all rooms and outbuildings to make sure they are empty
- Supervise cleaners and movers
- Leave current home in clean condition

BEFORE ARRIVING AT NEW LOCATION

Arrange for utility services in new area:

- Electric company
- Gas company
- Cable/Internet
- Phone

If moving to a condo, contact property management company and book parking space and elevator for moving day

NEW LOCATION

- Supervise unloading and unpacking
- Set up and make beds first so you can collapse into them when you need to (best thing ever)
- Put up any shelving units before you unpack other items
- Meet your neighbours (write down their names)
- Get recommendations for babysitters, nanny agencies, etc.
- Put valuables into a safe-deposit box in new bank
- Ensure that new school has received records
- Contact new dentists and doctors to ensure that records have been transferred
- Have pets licensed
- Arrange for new registration and insurance of cars
- Apply for new driver's license if you moved from outside BC (your license is only valid for 90 days after arrival): www.icbc.com

NOTES:
