



Packing Checklist for Moving Across State Lines

- **Ask your movers**

- ☐ Are they taking everything apart and putting it all in one bag or taping to the furniture piece? Can give them Ziploc bags if you desire (else they'll fold into packing paper).
- ☐ Expected date/time to arrive at new home?

- **To Do Before You Leave**

- ☐ Pre-packing Inventory: recommend walking around the house and taking video of everything, including inside cabinets, drawers, closets. Especially your more expensive items.
- ☐ FOOD: they can pack all dry food, but you'll need to toss (or donate to a friend/the church) the stuff in the fridge/freezer....
 - ☐ If you're taking your fridge: you'll need to empty it ahead of time and unplug it with the door open, so it defrosts before movers arrive.

- **Create Lists**

Of all the accounts that you will need to turn off in your current home and set up in your new home:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Insurance: home, flood, wind, earthquake | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Water | <input type="checkbox"/> Internet |
| <input type="checkbox"/> GasElectric | <input type="checkbox"/> Security alarm |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone | <input type="checkbox"/> Pest |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trash | <input type="checkbox"/> Lawn |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cable/satellite | |

Of all the accounts where you need to change the physical address

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Bank | <input type="checkbox"/> Subscriptions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Car insurance | <input type="checkbox"/> Cellphone |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Anything attached to your credit card | <input type="checkbox"/> Clients |
| <input type="checkbox"/> USPS | <input type="checkbox"/> medical record |

- **Taking in Vehicle / Suitcase**

- ☐ If you're driving: a cooler for drinks/snacks
- ☐ Pack for 2-5 days (depending on how far you're moving)
 - ☐ What are temps in the new place and any areas driving through?
 - ☐ Travel / comfy clothes
 - ☐ Toiletries
 - ☐ Hairdryer, Makeup, Fav jewelry
 - ☐ Comfy shoes
- ☐ Small first aid kit
- ☐ Anything you store in your safe:
 - ☐ Important documents: all paperwork from move, passport/birth certificate/SS card (if you think you'll need it)
 - ☐ Mad money stash
 - ☐ Nice jewelry, valuables, etc.
- ☐ Basic tools
 - ☐ Screw drivers, pliers, box cutters
 - ☐ Your movers >should< have tools and do all the work for you, but it's always been handy to have
- ☐ Electronics
 - ☐ Phone, laptops, e-readers, chargers, portable battery charger
 - ☐ Download audio books or podcasts for your travel entertainment
- ☐ Daily vitamins/medications
 - ☐ Maybe do enough for 10 days or take them all in the SUV...just in case the truck gets lost
 - ☐ Have a copy of all the medications you take, in case you need to buy more
- ☐ Bedding / Towels
 - ☐ Sheets, comforter, pillows for bed (movers will set it up for you)
 - ☐ Towels, washcloths, shower curtain
- ☐ Tea/coffee (caffeine!) + Favorite Snacks or ready to go meals (can also buy there)
- ☐ A set of plates, cups, and silverware for meals
- ☐ Your Plants – they'll enjoy the ride!

- **Buy There**

- ☐ Toilet Paper (or pack a few rolls for arrival day)
- ☐ Cleaning Supplies: dish soap, sponges/rags, multi-surface spray, trash bags, hand soap
 - ☐ Did you have your new house cleaned? Highly recommend before your moving trucks arrive (even if previous home owner said it was cleaned)
- ☐ Toiletries: shampoo/conditioner, etc. for shower (or take in SUV).

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