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Moving Checklist:

- Ensure that you lift your property safely. Remember to bend your knees when lifting to avoid straining your back.
- Packing heavier items in smaller boxes so that they are easier to carry.
- When packing the moving truck/van ensure the items that you need to use first are located near the door for easy access.
- Ensure that all breakable items have that special TLC and use bubble wrap or other packing materials.
- Flammable items should not be packed with other belongings. Ensure they are properly labeled and moved separately.
- Ensure that all dresser drawers are emptied. This will make carrying the furniture easier.
- Properly label each box with the name of each room and if it has fragile items inside.
- Ensure that the bedding for your first night sleep is placed in a special box for easy access.
- Ensure that your moving environment is free from hazards. I.e. no items are placed on stairs.
- It is important to ensure all items will fit through the door. Use of a tape measure in advance will assist you in determining whether a door must be removed.
- Any medical items should be placed in a special container at room temperature.
- Defrost your freezer and place frozen items in coolers with ample ice.
- Cleaning your residence before departure will make the new tenants/home owners happy.
- Do final walk through your residence to ensure you have all belongings.

Other moving tips:

- Purchase moving supplies in advance to avoid last minute running around.
- Contact your post office for change of address cards and mail forwarding.
- Contact your local driver's license bureau to change your address
- Inform your bank and credit card companies to ensure personal mail will be sent to the correct address.
- Advise your newspaper carrier that you will be ending the subscription at your current address.
- Contact all utilities for cancellation of old residence and hook up of utilities of new residence. Some utilities may require a deposit in advance.

- Know when garbage day is for your new residence. Contact your local Waste Management Services Division to pick up excess garbage.
- Contact your insurance company to obtain insurance on your new residence and cancel the old.
- Have ample cash on hand for moving day emergencies.

Storage tips:

- When storing materials at a storage facility make sure all boxes are properly sealed.
- Rugs, draperies, couches and other items should be cleaned and vacuumed prior to the move to ensure no pests will visit.
- Place pallets and/or tarps on floor of your unit before placing any items in your unit.
- Proper ventilation in unit is a must for climate changes. Do not store items against a wall or the door.
- Stacking items will maximize the space available in your unit. Do not over stack items. Ensure all items will remain intact and cannot fall to avoid breakage.
- Protect your furniture, including couches, chairs, and mattresses with plastic covers.
- Ensure all clothing is stored in proper sealed boxes.
- Do not store grass clippings, spices, flour, sugar, condiments, pasta or other items that would attract pests.
- Propane tanks, gas, oil, toxic chemicals, guns, weapons, ammunition or any items prohibited by law cannot be stored in your unit.
- For vehicle storage, no working on vehicles inside the units.
- Ensure that you give an alternate contact to the storage facility in case of emergencies.

Moving special items:

- Plants should be moved separately and unpacked once they have arrived at their destination.
- Remove excess water from the plant containers to avoid leakage.
- Pets should be moved separately in your car. Do not leave pets in the car at any given time alone.
- Pets should have water and food with them at all times. A visit to your veterinarian will assist you and your pet if you expect lengthy travel times.

Moving companies:

- Obtain an estimate of all costs associated with the move in writing.
- Ensure the estimate includes the length of time it will take to move your belongings
- Ensure that there is someone who will take charge for all moving items to avoid lost or damaged goods.
- Ensure that your homeowner's policy will cover damage of your goods during transit if the moving company does not provide compensation for lost or

damaged goods.

- Ensure that the movers have their special instructions in advance before moving your furniture.
- Do your homework, it is important to make sure the moving company is reputable.
- Advise movers of new location or closing date of home in advance.

Items that will assist you in moving:

- Scissors, knife and/or exactor knife.
- Water resistant marker, black
- Packing tape, fragile tape
- Styrofoam peanuts, bubble wrap
- Special moving labels to identify rooms
- Heavy duty boxes
- Couch and mattress covers.
- Reputable moving company
- Tape measure