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8 - 7 Weeks Before

Your current agent can help you with your insurance policies and, if necessary, help you find an agent in your new location.	
What's Your Moving Strategy?	
It's time to start making decisions. Consider, for instance, if you're hiring movers or asking your friends to help you move. Will you move during the week or on the weekend? Also, before you start packing, you could take a look at the floor plan of your new home to decide where things will go.	
Think About Your Money	
If you'll be using movers, call them for estimates and <u>ask about obtaining moving insurance.</u> Remember that your valuables could be at risk during the moving process.	
7 Weeks Before Notes	
Meet With Movers or Friends Who'll be Helping	
Most moving companies will visit you at home to do an estimate based on your items. If you decide to use professionals, meet with several companies to compare services and costs. If you prefer to get help from friends, discuss what you'd like them to help you with.	
Start Transferring Records	
Moving out of town? Gather medical and dental records, and find a doctor in your new neighborhood. If you have children, transfer their school records to your new district, and send along any other important documents.	
Pack: Sort and Purge	
Decide what's coming to the new house and what you prefer to donate, give away or toss. Consider organizing a garage sale to sell some of your items or donate them to a local charity. Don't forget to keep receipts for tax purposes.	

6 - 5 Weeks Before



Conf	irm a Date with Movers or Friends	Notes		
	After considering all your estimates, choose a moving company – or coordinate a moving plan with the friends who are willing to help. Select your move date taking under consideration that some movers offer cheaper rates on certain days of the week or specific times during the month, so be sure to ask. If you recruited friends to help, make sure you arrange for their food and drinks for the entire day.			
Star	t Packing: Sort Valuables			
	Use our <u>Home Inventory tools</u> to keep a list of your items with pictures. We recommend you keep valuables with you, or consider mailing them, with insurance, to your new home.			
Chai	nge Address			
Ш	Changing your address early will help avoid unnecessary mail delays. You can find a change of address form at the post office or online on the USPS Web site. Also, change your address with State Farm.			
5 Weeks Before				
Start	Packing: Get Supplies	Notes		
	Purchase supplies like packing tape, bubble wrap, furniture pads and mattress protectors. And, be sure to have plenty of boxes on hand.			
Use	It or Lose It			
Ш	Those steaks sitting in the freezer? There's no better time to grill 'em. You should also use cleaning products you don't want to move. Use or consume anything you don't want to move.			
Cons	sidering a Storage Unit			
	Not moving in right away? Make plans to find a place where you can store everything			
Ш	in the interim. You can use a temporary storage for newly purchased furniture and other belongings.			
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4 - 3 Weeks Before

Transfer Utilities		Notes
them at your new one. If selling a home, p	ne sales contract. For the new home, schedule	
Consider Your Pets		
	ns your pets may require during the move. Find cords there. Don't forget to make lodging or moving.	
Think About Your Car		
If you're shipping your car to your new local companies. If you're moving to a new state after getting settled.	ation, make sure to research auto shipping e, register your car at your new address shortly	
3 Weeks Before		
Label: Boxes With Basic Content		Notes
For each room you pack, set aside one box few days in your new home. Use labels to l first, so you can easily find cleaning suppli	- · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	
Pack: The Non-Essentials Items		
We recommend you pack first the items th	at you use with least frequency.	
Consider Hard-To-Pack Items		
Plants are an example of items that don't them or give them away. Use up or dispose most moving companies will not ship them	of any flammable or hazardous materials;	

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3 - 2 Weeks Before

Star	t Saying Goodbye	Notes				
	Moving often means leaving important friends, family and your favorite places behind. Take the time to say goodbye to people and to visit places that hold happy memories. Consider hosting an informal open house or barbecue to say your final farewell.					
Pre	pare To Move Big Items					
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	Set an appointment for a service technician to prepare major appliances for your move. Clean rugs and draperies, and don't forget to cover them in order to protect them. We don't recommend that you clean upholstered furniture. The moisture could turn into mold and damage the furniture.					
Ma	ke Travel Plans					
	You don't want to be stuck in the middle of nowhere with your family, a car full of possessions and no place to stay. Make hotel reservations, arrange for childcare, and ensure your pets have lodging, too.					
	2 Weeks Before					
Sch	edule Time Off From Work	Notes				
	Working and moving on the same day is not ideal. Schedule time to take care of moving details.					
Ma	nage Your Bank Accounts					
	Does your bank have a branch in your new area? If not, you may need to open an account at a new bank. Before you leave, remember to clean out any safe deposit boxes. Also, update account information for online bill pay.					
Sch	edule A Car Tune Up					
	Make sure the oil is changed, tires are inflated, and the car is in good working order before you hit the road.					

1 Week Before



Moving Day & Arriving at Your New Home

Paci	k: What You'll Need	Notes		
	For easy access to clothes, toiletries and medications, consider packing a few suitcases. Don't forget to fill any prescriptions, and keep a few of your kids' favorite toys on hand.			
Pre	pare Appliances			
	Empty, defrost and clean your refrigerator at least one day before you move. Unplug all electronic appliances 24 hours before you move so they're not hot. Take extra care when moving computers.			
Che	eck in With Movers Or Friends			
	Check in with your movers, or the friends who will be helping you, to confirm that everything is in order. Make sure they have your current and future addresses and the start time of your move.			
Mo	ving Day			
Stay	Close To Home	Notes		
	If you hired movers, make sure to be home when they arrive. Keep your cell phone with you, so you're available to answer any questions.			
Bef	ore You Load			
	Make sure everything is ready to load before moving day. Before you load a single item, check the truck, trailer, or portable container for cracks, leaks, or other signs of wear. Raise any concerns with the movers.			
Loa	ding			
	It's easiest to load the truck if you decide before hand where everything goes. Load the items you need the least first, and then load the boxes with the most essential content.			
Clo	Close Up House			
	Check all closets, cabinets and rooms to make sure you didn't leave anything. Take out the garbage, lock the windows, and leave a note with your contact information for the new owners.			
Arriving At Your New Location				
	Chances are you'll arrive at your new home before your movers do. Make sure all the utilities have been connected. You'll need cash or a cashier's check on hand to pay the movers; or pizza to thank your friends.			