

MOVING HOME CHECKLIST

Four weeks ahead

- ☐ Get removals estimates and book your chosen firm
- ☐ Order packing cases and materials if you are supplying your own
- ☐ If you require curtains, place an order
- ☐ Plan where the furniture will go; get rid of things that won't fit ☐
- ☐ Book time off work
- ☐ Declutter and dispose of anything you don't need

Two weeks ahead

- ☐ Inform electricity, gas, phone and broadband suppliers that you're moving
- ☐ Arrange mail redirection with the Post Office
- ☐ Transfer TV licence to new address
- ☐ Begin packing non-essentials – start outside or on the top floor
- ☐ Begin running down the freezer
- ☐ Get your landline number redirected
- ☐ Organise who will look after your pets and/or children during the move

One week ahead

- ☐ Inform your GP surgery and register with a new one if moving area
- ☐ Tell your council and ask for a council tax statement
- ☐ Inform your bank(s) and insurance providers
- ☐ Send out change of address messages to friends and family
- ☐ Transfer any plants/trees you're taking into pots

One to two days ahead

- ☐ Defrost the freezer
- ☐ Prepare a box of moving day essentials – loo roll, soap, tea bags, mugs, bin bags, phone charger, pet food, bedding
- ☐ Set aside valuable items and personal documents you will transport yourself
- ☐ Disconnect dishwasher
- ☐ Label boxes with the rooms they should go into in your new home
- ☐ Label items and keys for the new owner

Moving day

- ☐ Strip the beds
- ☐ Allow time for cleaning – set aside your vacuum cleaner and cloths
- ☐ Drop your keys off with the estate agent

After moving in

- ☐ Unpack room by room, starting with the kitchen
- ☐ Check that utilities are running smoothly and take meter readings
- ☐ Pay stamp duty (your solicitor will usually arrange this)
- ☐ Update your address on the electoral register
- ☐ Update your pet's microchip address; register with the local vet
- ☐ Change locks