

## Handy moving house checklist

### 8 weeks out:

- Create a budget for moving expenses
- Schedule in-home estimates with a moving company
- Request time off work for moving day
- Start selling the things you don't need on [Facebook marketplace](#)

### 6 weeks out:

- Collect boxes, tapes, and bubble wrap and pack a little bit each day
- Create an inventory sheet of your valuables
- Address minor home repairs before moving out
- For long-distance movers, check airfare and car rental
- Research your new community for points of interest
- Start using your frozen food and perishable items
- Organise your [electricity plan](#) so your power is on when you move in
- Add a gas plan if you're moving to a property with a gas connection

### 2 weeks out:

- Create a moving file to organise move-related receipts and bills
- Change address for Social Security benefits within 10 days of moving
- Change the address for your car insurance and rego
- Schedule daycare for kids and/or pets
- Book a hard rubbish removal or recycling
- Moving far? Don't forget the stuff in your locker at your gym

### 1 week out:

- Check if you can book a walk-through with the landlord/agent
- Donate food from the back of your pantry (we both know you won't eat it)
- Make sure you cancel and/or redirect scheduled deliveries
- Pack an essentials box with everything you'll need for your first 24 hours in your new home
- Finish packing and clean as you go

### The day before:

- Confirm with movers of their arrival time
- Get cash out to pay the movers
- Pack any house plants
- Have a bag of snacks handy for yourself plus for kids and pets if needed
- Pack an overnight bag for day 1 of the move in your new home