

Pre-Packing Checklist

Some Tips for the DIY Movers: Preparation is Key

- **Make a Supply Run** – Stock up on packing supplies. Moving boxes, packing tape, packing paper, bubble wrap and all else you will need; get it ahead of time.
- **Get a Head Start** – Start the packing process early for a more organized and stress-free process. If you finish early, relax, but better to have the time you need.
- **Label Boxes** – This important step will save you tons of time during moving and unpacking since you will know exactly where boxes go and what's in them.
- **Get Rid of Some Stuff** – This is a great way to clean out and get rid of unwanted items. The more you donate, give away or sell will lighten your load on moving day, saving time and money, plus a cleaner start at your new home.
- **Make Lists** – Think the process through and make lists and schedules so you don't forget anything important like donations, moving day, utilities and arrangements for pets.
- **Schedule Conservatively** – Packing, moving and changing over utilities takes time. Make sure you're gentle on yourself and take the time you need.
- **Separate Valuables** – Be sure to pack valuable and irreplaceable items separately and keep track of them. Read our Pack Separately Checklist to make sure your covered.
- **Remember Utilities & Deposits** – Plan ahead to connect utilities at your new home and disconnect them after your move. Don't forget to get your deposits back also!

As moving day gets closer, be sure to have everything prepared so it happens smoothly.

