

HOW TO: STRESS-FREE MOVE FROM START TO FINISH



Settling into a new place can be exciting, but the process is often overwhelming. Check out the helpful tips below to make moving day — and the days that follow — a breeze.

BEFORE MOVING DAY



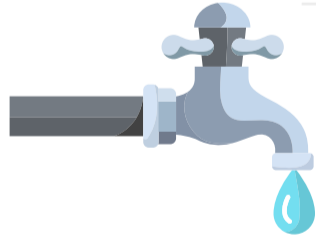
Hire a property management services company if you have trouble selling your home.



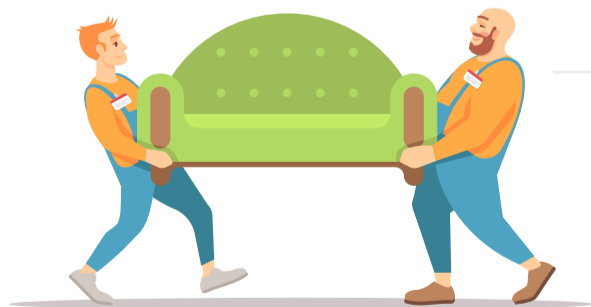
Snap photos of your electronics before taking them apart so you can refer to the pictures for easier reassembly.



If you run out of bubble wrap or want to be kinder to the environment, wrap breakables such as plates and glassware in clothing.



Transfer your utilities, including water and electric, ahead of your moving day.



Reduce stress — especially when relocating with kids — by hiring a professional moving service.

ON MOVING DAY AND BEYOND



Hire a cleaning company to do a quick sweep of the house after the movers leave, or schedule a day to clean before the new owners arrive.



Prepare fun activities to keep children from getting bored with the lengthy process of moving. For example, put your kids' favorite games, toys or coloring books in the car so they can be entertained for the drive.



Pack luggage with essential items you may need on the first day after the move, such as phone chargers, clothing, medications and toiletries.



If your children are attending a new school, make sure their paperwork is in order and check if there are opportunities for them to join extracurricular activities.



Update your address online or in person at a local post office.



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Resources:

mentalfloss.com/article/80593/15-life-hacks-stress-free-move

finehomesandliving.com/featured/10-tips-for-a-stress-free-move/article_952968db-a306-57d7-a3ba-6fc0e63050ec.html

spartamovers.com/10-tips-for-stress-free-moving

community.today.com/parentingteam/post/best-tips-for-moving-with-kids

home.howstuffworks.com/real-estate/moving-tips/10-tips-for-moving-with-children.html