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FREE MOVING CHECKLIST

The Homeowner's Moving Checklist

Everything to handle before, during, and after your move — built for homeowners, not just renters. Free, no email required to read it here.

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Fully insured · Boston, MA · Set your budget, we work around it

8 WEEKS BEFORE

- Set a real moving budget and get it locked in**
Decide what you can spend before you start calling movers — it changes every conversation that follows.
- Sort belongings room by room**
Decide what to sell, donate, or toss before you pack it, not after you have already carried it once.
- Start a moving binder**
One folder for closing documents, moving contracts, receipts, and utility confirmations.
- Research schools and commute times in the new area**
If you have kids or a return-to-office schedule, this takes longer than people expect.

6 WEEKS BEFORE

- Notify your homeowner's insurance provider**
Confirm your move date and make sure coverage starts at the new address with no gap.
- Get moving quotes with a budget in hand**
Ask for a number that covers what you actually need, not an hourly rate that can climb on move day.
- Order packing supplies**
Boxes, tape, bubble wrap, and furniture blankets — buy more than you think you need.
- Start using up food in the freezer and pantry**
Less to pack, less to toss, less that can spoil in transit.

4 WEEKS BEFORE

- File a change of address with USPS**
Takes five minutes online and starts forwarding mail before you forget who needs your new address.
- Schedule utility transfers or cutoffs**
Electric, gas, water, and internet — at both the old home and the new one, timed so neither has a gap.
- Update your address with banks, cards, and subscriptions**
Also notify your employer and any professional licensing boards.
- Register with new schools**
If applicable — many districts need enrollment paperwork weeks ahead.
- Confirm any home-sale or closing dates**
Line up your moving date with your actual closing date, not an estimate.

2 WEEKS BEFORE

- Confirm your movers' date, time, and details**
Reconfirm the budget you agreed to — it should not change on you now.
- Start packing non-essential rooms**
Guest rooms, storage, garage — anything you will not touch before move day.

- Label every box by room, not just contents**
Saves real time on the other end, especially with a multi-floor home.
- Arrange a moving truck parking permit if required**
Boston and other cities require this — apply at least 10–14 business days ahead.
- Confirm a certificate of insurance if your building or HOA needs one**
Ask your movers for this early — it can take a few days to issue.

1 WEEK BEFORE

- Pack a first-night box**
Toiletries, chargers, medications, a change of clothes — anything you need before boxes get unpacked.
- Confirm your final walkthrough or closing date**
If you are buying or selling, get this locked in writing.
- Empty, defrost, and clean the refrigerator**
Do this a day or two ahead so it has time to dry out before moving.
- Reconfirm headcount and logistics with your moving crew**
Any building rules — elevator windows, loading docks — should be settled by now.

MOVING DAY

- Do a final walkthrough of every room, closet, and drawer**
Check behind doors and above cabinets — the easiest things to forget.
- Take meter readings for the old home**
Electric and gas readings protect you from a final bill dispute.
- Hand over keys and garage openers only after the final walkthrough**
Not before — once they are gone, you cannot go back in.
- Keep essential documents with you, not on the truck**
Deed, lease, ID, and your moving contract should travel in your own bag.

AFTER THE MOVE

- Update your driver's license and vehicle registration**
Most states give you 30 days — do not let it slide.
- Register to vote at your new address**
Takes a few minutes and is easy to forget once you are settled.
- Locate the water shutoff and breaker panel**
Know where they are before you need them in an emergency.
- Change the locks if you just bought the home**
You do not know who else has a key from before.
- Leave your movers a review if they earned it**
It genuinely helps a small crew more than people realize.

Ready to book your move?

Set your budget at notimemover.com — fully insured, same-day response, no surprise fees.