

A guide to a stress-free move

This is a very quick guide to a stress-free move, 11 points that will help you and your removal team.

1. If you decide to take a full pack service, you will have items that you will need over night or at the very least on the day of your move, place all of these items together (maybe in a cupboard) and label DO NOT PACK, the last thing you want is to have something packed away that you will need.
2. When packing yourselves only place the heavier items (like books and office folders) in the smaller pack 6 boxes (mediums) placing these kinds of items in the pack 2 boxes (large) makes the day a lot harder for your removal team, they will be grateful. Just be mindful of what your packing in what box and always write on the box what is inside of it.
3. Using cheap parcel tape is not a good idea, always buy the tape your removal team sells, even if you are not using their boxes. Parcel tape often doesn't last, and the boxes will start to lose their strength,
4. Chest of drawers, providing it only has clothes and no heavy or breakables inside leave the draws full, the removal team will either carry the unit as a whole or take the draws out, this will save space and saving space saves money for you. (this is only to be used if the unit is sturdy and not an antique)
5. Hanging garments, don't waste time packing your hanging clothes into boxes, your removal team will bring the hanging rail boxes on the day
6. Sheds and garages, all removals companies have certain items they can't carry, for example, open cement bags, gas, flammables etc. ask your removal teams surveyor and get rid of these before your move day so you don't have to rush about on the day of the move.
7. Gardens, even on the hottest of days try not to water your plants too much, they will become incredibly heavy and hard to move, the team will have the necessary dolly's and trucks, but they become stuck on soft ground with heavy loads, also wet plants can make a mess of the trucks. Remember all the hidden areas in your garden, let the removal team know where everything is, hot tubs and spas, empty them several days before your move. This saves the removal team from walking through the wet area all day.
8. Lofts, emptying the loft are only a part of the job when specified, if it is not included don't wait until the day of the move, this will save a lot of time.
9. Cats & Dogs, we love animals, but they can often get scared by the removal teams it's a good idea to either ask a friend to have them or put them in day boarding.

10. Remember to tell your neighbors that you're moving and what vehicle they should expect to see when they leave for work, it becomes difficult to start moving trucks half way through a load
11. If you are moving abroad it is important to start thinking about the exchange rates as early as possible. Specialist brokers can guide you through the uncertainty of rate fluctuations and offer help with the timing of your transfer. They can also offer a big savings on the rate compared with your bank.

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