## The Ultimate 10-Step **☑** Checklist





Step 1: Create Your To-Do List The sooner you start, the less stressful it'll be – and you can add things as you remember them. No last-minute panic here!
Step 2: Hire a Moving Company  Don't always go for the cheapest option – your stuff is precious, and you want it handled with care! Be sure to ask all the right questions to find the perfect fit for your needs.
Step 3: Set a Moving Budget  Make sure you budget for the unexpected so there are no surprises when you check your bank account. Plan for the best, but be ready for the worst!
Step 4: Choose a Date Summer is popular (and pricey!), moving on weekdays can save you money, and it's easier to manage utilities. Avoid rush hour for a smoother move!
Step 5: Gather Packing Supplies  Moving boxes, tape, bubble wrap – you'll need them all. Want to save some cash? Check out local stores or online listings for free boxes. It's a win-win!
Step 6: Start Packing Go through your stuff, donate what you don't need, and pack the least-used items first. Fragile items? Wrap them carefully and use towels or clothes as padding.
Step 7: Tie Up Loose Ends  Before you say goodbye, make sure everything is in order: notify your insurance, transfer utilities, and take care of your healthcare.
Step 8: Change Schools  Moving with kids? It's an emotional time. Make the transition easier by researching schools in your new area and keeping the conversation positive.
Step 9: Prepare Your Pets  Make sure their health is up to date, get the necessary documents, and plan how you'll transport them.
Step 10: Say Goodbye to Your Old Neighborhood  Don't rush your goodbyes! Take the time to reflect, say farewell to your neighbors, and celebrate your memories. Whether it's a cozy dinner or a full-on party, a proper send-off makes the transition sweeter.