

The Ultimate Moving Checklist

Items Movers Cannot Transport

Bleach



Aerosols



House Paints



Fire Extinguishers



Liquid antifreeze



Propane cans/tanks



Art



Disinfectant cleaners



Gas or oils



Perishable foods



Butane



Open food containers



Firearms or Ammunition



Money

If you own any of these items, you should either obtain a specialized shipping container or discard/recycle them and obtain a new version at your destination. (Short trips may be exempt from this, depending on the item.)

And Items of Extraordinary Value



Antiques



Heirlooms



Alcohol

Need Storage?

We operate a 40,000 sq/ft secure storage facility



Appliances

Disconnect, defrost, and ensure all appliances are empty of loose items (including racks in ovens)



Barbecue Grills

Ensure they're clean and empty. Remember, propane cannot be transported.



Boxes

Should be strong enough to withstand stacking. Peachtree Movers can provide these if they're needed. Heavy items should go on the bottom of boxes, and they should never be filled past the tops.



Brooms

Brooms and other long-handled items should be taped together.



Clocks

Pendulums and weights should be removed and packed separately. Grandfather clocks should be tuned after the move.



Drawers

Typically, empty. Sturdy furniture may allow clothes to be kept inside.



Gas Powered Equipment

Empty or Drain all tanks, and allow them to air out. Supervisors can refuse to move items that haven't had this done.



Labels

All cartons should be labeled on top and two adjacent sides, with a note on the room to go into. This is especially important for fragile items.



Lamps and Shades

Remove shades, bulbs, and globes, and pack them into boxes with lots of extra padding.



Plants

Move these in your own car – they may die in a moving vehicle.



Artwork, mirrors, and other large items

Removed and set aside for movers. Some items may need to be crated – you will be informed of this in advance



Beds

Remove all linens and mattress pads from beds. The moving team will disassemble and reassemble the bed.



China

Pack these in dish boxes. Plates and dishes should be vertical. 3" of paper on the bottom and 2" between layers is highly recommended.



Clothing

Hang clothes in wardrobe boxes, or pack into normal boxes. Never use trash bags for clothes, linens, pillows, or similar items.



File Cabinets

Empty all of these.



High Value Items

Labeled and identified. Items should be pointed out to the supervisor, and checked against the High Value Inventory Form. Do not include jewelry or money



Packing Materials

Paper and/or bubblewrap should be used for fragile items. Try to avoid newsprint, as the ink may blemish items.



Televisions/Computers

Pack into original boxes if available. Special moving equipment is available.



30-Day Moving Check List

4 Weeks Ahead

- ☐ Discard things you won't need at your new home.
- ☐ Start packing what you'll keep, and space it out over the next 30 days.
- ☐ Notify relevant organizations (Post Office, etc.) that you'll be moving.
- ☐ Start notifying businesses, relatives and friends of your move.

3 Weeks Ahead

- ☐ Hold a garage sale.
- ☐ Arrange for disconnection and reconnection of gas, electricity, etc.
- ☐ Arrange to have phone service disconnected halfway through the move day.
- ☐ Make plans for childcare on move day.

2 Weeks Ahead

- ☐ Decide where you want the movers to place furniture in your new home.
- ☐ Begin using up what food you can.

1 Weeks Ahead

- ☐ Arrange for delivery services to be stopped.
- ☐ Handle any affairs at banks.
- ☐ Discard flammable items. Drain fuel from tools.
- ☐ Return borrowed items to neighbors.

3 Days Ahead

- ☐ Remove everything from drawers.
- ☐ Have an ice chest for cold foods on move day.
- ☐ Keep all medications in a safe, accessible spot during packing.
- ☐ Set aside valuable items you are taking with you.



2 Days Ahead








- ☐ Create a box of things that will be needed immediately at your new home. Write "Load Last—Unload First" on the box.
- ☐ Stop watering plants.

1 Day Ahead

- ☐ Verify final move arrangements.
- ☐ Pack all personal belongings.
- ☐ Arrange to have pets out of the way on move day.

Moving Day

- ☐ Arrange to be at home for the entire move.
- ☐ Ensure nothing was left behind.
- ☐ Ensure movers can still contact you.
- ☐ Meet the movers at the new house to supervise unloading.

-  Make sure you are completely ready when your movers arrive. Every box should be packed, labeled, and ready to go.
-  Ensure someone is present to answer any questions the movers may have.
-  Write down any special instructions and give them to the supervisor.
-  Walk through your house after the movers are done and make sure no items were left behind.
-  Know how you want the major furniture arranged at your destination.
-  Payment is generally due at the end of moves – have a check, card, or other payment method ready.
-  Adding a gratuity is your choice, and should not be recommended by the crew.

By following this moving checklist, you'll be ready for the most hassle-free move possible. At Peachtree Movers, we can help you with all your moving needs. Contact us today at 404-355-8877 for more information.