



Moving House Checklist and Tips

Moving Day

Follow this moving day checklist at your *old* home:

- Check access to your property is adequate, clear and unobstructed for the moving truck, to ensure your removalists have easy access and costly delays don't occur
- Take the removalists around your home, giving clear instructions and explain your colour code system. You, or an adult you authorise, must be present at all times the removalists are at work in your home
- Ensure 'high priority' boxes, mentioned earlier in this moving checklist, are easy to access, clearly labelled and identified to your removalists so they are loaded last and are first off (e.g. 'Bits & Pieces' box, 'Essentials Kit', 'Mini Toolkit', fresh linen/towels)
- Confirm that all scheduled belongings are loaded into the moving van
- Verify your destination address and contact phone number before the removalists leave
- As a general rule, and especially if any belongings are going into storage or being shipped interstate/overseas, check the inventory carefully before signing off
- Carry valuables like jewellery, passports and important documents yourself
- Do one last house clean (or have Kent cleaners come in afterward)
- Leave a note at your old home with a forwarding address
- Do one final check on move day to make sure:
 - > No belongings have been forgotten
 - > Utilities are disconnected or switched off
 - > All doors and windows are locked
 - > Garage door opener is left behind.
- House keys should be dropped into your solicitor or returned to the rental estate agent.

Follow this moving into a new house checklist at your *new* home:

- If renting your new home, our first new house checklist tip is to complete the condition report (two copies, one for you and one for the agent). Take photos for your records
- Make sure the previous occupants haven't left anything behind and consolidate any items in one place
- Make sure all your utilities are connected
- Check access to your property is adequate, clear and unobstructed for the moving truck
- Take the removalists around the house, identifying "which room is which" and areas corresponding to your colour code system
- Give the removalists a copy of your furniture placement floor plan
- Make sure high priority boxes are off-loaded first (e.g. 'Bits & Pieces' box, 'Essentials Kit', 'Mini Toolkit', fresh linen/towels)
- As a general rule, and especially if your belongings were shipped from interstate, overseas or storage, check their condition carefully before signing the inventory
- Check the hot water service works (it may require time to heat after the gas pilot is relit or electricity fuse switched 'ON')
- Check that no poisons or toxic substances have been left behind (e.g. weed killers, insecticides, rat poison)
- Confirm the house and garden are pet and child friendly before letting animals or children explore
- Check fences are 'escape proof' for animals
- Stand your fridge in its new position for at least 3 hours before switching on to allow the coolant gas to settle
- Remove washing machine 'shipping bolts' and save in a safe place
- Assemble and make up your beds as soon as possible
- Start unpacking the kitchen, bathroom and other key areas. (If you need help or the job gets too big, ask about **Kent Valet Services**. From cleaning and unpacking, to organising and styling rooms, our experienced Valet Team helps you quickly and effortlessly set up and settle in to your new home)
- Call your removalist to arrange pick-up of your empty boxes
- Say "hello" to your new neighbours and enjoy your new home.



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