

## Mover's Checklist

Bluehive Financial Services Pty Ltd has put together a comprehensive Mover's Checklist to help you keep track of tasks essential to a well organised and stress-free move.



### 4 - 6 weeks before the move

Book a firm date for moving and arrange time off work if possible

#### ► Furniture Removal

When planning your move, consider:

- Does your new house allow access for large appliances and pieces of furniture? What level is your new house on? Is there a lift? Do you need to book the lift?
- Professionals or amateurs? Decide whether you're to be moved by professional removalists or with the help of family and friends.

#### ► Redirect your Mail & Change your address

- Don't miss any of your mail, have Australia Post redirect it to your new address
- Advise organisations of your change of address. You can use Australia Post's online service

#### ► Packing Up

- Plan ahead. Get rid of as much junk as possible through charity bins or garage sales
- Start to use all the food in your freezer to prevent wasting it when you move
- Start your packing early
- Complete an inventory of all items packed
- Check your insurance policy - will it cover the move?
- Make a list of items you'll need available for the moving day, so that you don't pack something essential

### 2 weeks leading up to the move

- Organise your utility accounts
- Arrange for disconnection and reconnection of electricity, gas, telephone and water - you can do this online at Australia Post
- Don't forget to cancel newspapers, cleaning, gardening, pet grooming and other local services
- Return things like library books and be sure you've picked up any dry-cleaning, shoe repairs etc
- Cleaning Up
- Book professional cleaners if necessary
- If renting, arrange for carpet cleaners to come in after you have moved your furniture
- Defrost and clean your fridge and freezer the day before you move
- Consider all safety implications when packing
- Make or confirm key collection arrangements
- Pack a small box of items you'll need for immediate use in your new home, including some toiletries, a change of clothes, medicines, toilet paper, soap and towels
- Pack another box with kitchen essentials for the move day such as a kettle, cutlery, mugs, tea, coffee and snacks
- Do a final check of all storage areas
- On moving day, get an early start
- Check off all furniture and cartons against your inventory as they go into the van or truck
- Turn off electricity at the meter
- Check that all doors and windows are securely locked as you leave your old house
- Be sure to keep your valuables, personal effects and important papers with you, so they don't go astray
- Unpack bedding and make up beds as soon as possible - you'll thank yourself at the end of a tiring day