

Your Printable Moving Checklist from CORT

8-10 Weeks Before Your Move

- Research and hire quality movers if that's a service you'll be using.
- Conduct walk-throughs of every room for a first pass of sorting items.
- Begin decluttering and purging items you no longer want or haven't used in over a year—donate or give away what you can.
- Make a list of items that may need extra insurance coverage or [special packing consideration](#).
- Begin listing items you want to sell on Craigslist or virtual yard sale sites (or host your own garage sale).

6-8 Weeks Before Your Move

- Designate a low-traffic area of your home for staging—where you'll keep your packed boxes, supplies and other necessities for your move.
- Begin packing non-essential items, like seasonal belongings or the stuff in your storage closet.
- If you're traveling long-distance for your move, make any necessary travel arrangements.

4-6 Weeks Before Your Move

- Obtain measurements of the rooms, windows, and doors of your new home for planning purposes.
- With your initial sorting and purging complete, take a second pass and begin packing items like décor, toys, books and clothing that don't see frequent use.
- Remember to label everything for the room of the new house, if possible.
- Take pictures of valuable items that are slated for the moving truck (irreplaceable keepsakes should travel with you in your own vehicle if possible).
- If you need to make arrangements for small children and pets to be somewhere else on the day of your move, this is a good time to make them.

3-4 Weeks Before Your Move

- Continue packing each room as you're able.
- Call utilities companies and set up service stoppage and start dates for both your current home and your new one.
- Fill out a change of address form with the post office and update your mailing address where needed, such as with your bank and employer.
- Plan meals that use up items in the freezer, fridge, or pantry that will be difficult or inconvenient to bring with you.

Two Weeks Before Your Move

- Confirm your moving date with your movers.
- Schedule any services, such as house cleaning, for either your current home or your new one.
- Begin gathering important documents and pack these in a VIP box that will travel in your own vehicle on moving day.
- Finish packing everything except essential items.

One Week Before Your Move

- Pack remaining items in each room.
- Pack overnight bags for each member of your family, plus other immediate-need essentials, like toilet paper and an extra phone charger. These will stay with you in your own vehicle during the move.
- Make a final donation drop-off, including any nonperishable food items to a local food bank.

Final Days Before Your Move

- Get keys to the new place.
- Confirm once again with the movers, including arrival time and any other important information.
- Disassemble furniture.
- Clean your home.