

# **COUNTDOWN TO MOVING DAY**

<b>6 WEEKS</b> BEFORE YOUR MOVE	
☐ If using a moving company, gather estimates & check	NOTES:
availability.	
Start collecting boxes for the move.	
Contact your insurance agent to see if there will be any chan	nges
in your policies. <u>* Don't forget to ask about Renter's Insurance</u>	<u>e!</u>
Submit your change of address to the post office <u>https://moversguide.usps.com</u>	
Create a "Move File/Folder" to keep track of important	
information like estimates, receipts, maps, lists, etc.	
<b>5 WEEKS</b> BEFORE YOUR MOVE	
Create a list of service providers that you'll need to notify	
Go through each room to take inventory and decide what you	u can
get rid of.	
Start packing items you don't use often (dinner sets, special	
cookware, decorations, clothes, photos, etc.)	
Research your new community! Check online and subscribe	to
community social media pages for local events & informatio	on.
<b>4 WEEKS</b> BEFORE YOUR MOVE	
If you aren't using a moving company, reserve a rental truck	c or
start notifying friends that you will ask for help.	
Plan a moving sale, or donate items that you do not need.	
Plan a going away party!	
<b>3 WEEKS</b> BEFORE YOUR MOVE	
Reserve any elevators, loading docks or parking areas if requ	uired.
☐ Notify your state's motor vehicle bureau of your new addres	
Check secret hiding places to remove spare house keys and o	
valuables.	

#### **2 WEEKS** BEFORE YOUR MOVE

Notify service providers of your move:

• Gas/electric, phone, cable, banks, lenders, physician, school, work, etc.

Pack a travel kit of critical items such as; your checkbook, credit

cards, ID, keys, toiletries, towels and a first aid kit.

Arrange to have utilities turned on at your new home. Milwaukee: <u>http://www.we-energies.com</u> Madison: <u>https://www.mge.com/customer-service/home/utility-service/</u>

### **1 WEEK** BEFORE YOUR MOVE

- Inform family and friends of your new address.
- If necessary, take any animals to the vet for immunization.
- Have enough medication on hand to last at least 2 weeks.
- Visit your favorite neighborhood places before you go!

#### **1 DAY** BEFORE YOUR MOVE

- Have appliances disconnected.
- Defrost refrigerator and freezer by propping doors open.
- Properly drain and dispose of all gas and oil from your mower, gas grills, kerosene heaters, water from hoses, etc.
- Leave a note with your new address in the house so that future residents can forward any stray mail.
  - Back up and turn off all computers.

## **MOVING DAY**

- Show movers any items you feel need special attention.
- Before finishing, make sure you do a final check of all closets, cabinets and storage areas for anything that may have been overlooked.
- ☐ If you are using a moving company, put a floor plan close to the entrance to help movers place furniture and boxes correctly.

## **OTHER**



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