

## All-Pro's Renter Moving Checklist

1. Take an objective look at your possessions and try to start sorting things you will move and other things you will give away, store, sell, or throw away.
2. Create a folder for all of your moving related information and expenses. Depending upon the reason for the move, you may be eligible for a tax deduction.
3. Notify the newspaper, magazines, credit card companies, family, and friends of your upcoming move.
4. Contact the telephone, cable, electric, and internet providers at your previous residence and arrange disconnection of services on the day after your move.
5. Contact your new telephone, cable, electric, and internet providers to arrange connection of services on the day before your move.
6. Make a list of repairs and areas for cleaning needed in your old home and arrange for the work to be completed before the move.
7. Start packing as soon as you can. Remember to label each box with a description of contents and desired room location to speed up unpacking after the move. Keep boxes light.
8. Schedule your garage sale or yard sale and arrange to drop off items you're giving to local charities (Goodwill, Salvation Army, Vietnam Veterans, churches, etc).
9. Make personal travel arrangements for the move. Check moving truck or moving crew availability for the date of the move and make reservations.
10. Arrange for transporting pets, house plants, and anything else the movers cant take.
11. Start cleaning out your refrigerator and freezer. Minimize new food purchases. Put baking soda or charcoal inside to keep them smelling fresh.
12. Contact your insurance company for your renters insurance policy.
13. Transfer all prescriptions to a drug store near your new home.
14. Pay all outstanding bills and be sure to indicate your new address on payment receipts.
15. Empty your safe deposit box and arrange for a new safety deposit box at a bank near your new home or office.
16. Give the movers directions to your new home plus contact information, including cell phone, new home phone and emergency contact.
17. Arrange for your old carpets to be cleaned if necessary.
18. Pack linens and other things you will need immediately in boxes labeled "open first, load last."
19. Do a final walk through to ensure that everything has been packed.
20. Alert the post office of your change of address.

