

The Last Home Moving Checklist You'll Ever Need

When you're ready to move into your new home, you might not think of what you'll need *after* you've unloaded the last box. We know you're working through a lot of lists right now, but a good new home checklist will ensure that your move-in is a smooth one.

We've pulled together what essential household items will help you get through your first days, make your life simpler after you're fully moved in, and added some touches that are definitely nice to have. Make this your easiest move ever with our comprehensive list.

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The Essentials

Living Room

Your main living space will be your place to relax every evening. Here's how to make it an oasis from the start. Ensure that the information is flowing, the entertainment is at your fingertips, and that you can enjoy some downtime.

- Surge protectors
- Extension cords
- TV mounting hardware
- Modem and router
- A designated basket for all remotes
- Coasters
- Lamps
- Throw pillows

Bedroom

You'll want a good night's sleep with a minimum of effort after you've been moving all day. Make sure you've placed the following in your "UNPACK FIRST" bedroom box. It doesn't have to be perfect, but it does need to be comfortable!

- Pillows
- Mattress Pad/Protector
- Sheets
- Blankets or Quilts
- Bedspread or Comforter
- Lamp
- Alarm Clock

Kitchen

Even if you're planning on avoiding cooking for a bit, there are still plenty of items that are needed. Don't miss your morning coffee or any quick meals with these items. Just think of it as "glamping"!

- Trash Bags

- Paper Towels
- Coffee Maker
- Flatware
- Dinnerware and Glasses
- Can Opener
- Bottle Opener/Corkscrew
- Dish Towels
- Dish Soap and Scrubber
- Oven Mitts
- Plastic Zip Lock Bags
- Aluminum foil and plastic wrap

Once you've covered the basics, make sure you have these items on hand for quick kitchen set-up.

- Drawer Liner
- Drawer Organizers
- Paper Towel Holder
- Food Storage Containers

Bathroom

Bathrooms are a priority for both you and anyone helping with your move. Assign someone with the task of making sure these essentials are distributed as needed. A good way to remember these items is to think about what a hotel would supply.

- Toilet Tissue
- Hand Soap
- Hand Towels
- Plunger
- Shower Curtain
- Shower Rod and Rings
- Bath Towels
- Toiletries, including Shampoo, Soap and Conditioner
- Nightlight - This is one item that's a big help until you get to know the new floorplan!

Tools

Having basic tools on hand is another way to avoid extra trips to the store and unnecessary frustration. Designate a special landing zone for these helpers, and you'll be able to keep the workflow moving.

- Box Cutters - These will make unpacking and flattening moving boxes so much easier!

- Hammer
- Screwdrivers: Flathead and Phillips
- Pliers
- Power Drill and Bits
- WD-40
- Flashlight
- Tape Measure
- Ladder or Step Stool
- Duct Tape
- Chalk (for marking walls as you hang pictures and more)
- Picture Hanging Kit (Make notes of which items require drywall anchors or special hardware before you pack them up.)
- Assorted Screws and Nails
- Batteries - Keep a variety on hand
- Matches and candles (You just never know...)
- Lightbulbs
- First Aid Kit

Cleaning

Believe it or not, there will still be some cleanups on the first day in your new home! Have these essential items on hand, and you'll be prepared for any type of spill or touch-up.

- Paper Towels
- Trash Bags - Stock up on all the sizes you'll need in advance - you'll use them at some point.
- Rubber Gloves
- Cleaning Rags/Microfiber Cloths
- Window Cleaner
- All-Purpose Cleaner
- Dishwasher Detergent
- Toilet Bowl Cleaner and Brushes
- Adhesive Remover - For any new purchases and their price tags
- Broom and Dust Pan
- Vacuum Cleaner

Nice To Have

When you're outfitting your first new home, it's hard to think of all the special tools and touches you'll need soon. If you'll be shopping ahead of time, our list will help you remember the things to buy for a new house.

Winter & Summer

- Barbecue Grill
- Lawnmower
- Weed Trimmer
- Pruners
- Trowels
- Wheelbarrow
- Shovel
- Rake
- Leaf Blower
- Garden Hoses and Spray Nozzles
- Push Broom
- Snow Shovel
- Ice Melt

Patio

- Patio Furniture
- Decorative Lights
- Hammock
- Planter Pots

Kitchen

- Water Filters - Sometimes a change in location means a change in water type. Avoid issues with hard water and chlorine with a good under sink or faucet filter.
- Hanging Pot Rack

Technology

Upgrade your technology with some “Smart Home” features at your new place! If you have WiFi and a smartphone, these will feel like effortless additions to your lifestyle. These are home must-haves, when you’re ready.

- Smart Light Bulbs - Control colors, brightness and more with your phone.
- Smart Plugs
- Wireless Speakers

Bedroom

New windows and more make this a perfect time for some upgrades. You've probably thought about these improvements in the past. Now's your chance to make every night a good one.

- Black-Out Curtains
- Upgraded Pillows
- Wall-Mounted TV

Home Office

New workspace? Make it even more productive with the best new home office helpers.

- White Board/Bulletin Board
- Wall-Mounted Outlet Strip
- Ergonomic Desk Chair
- Filing Cabinet
- Office Floor Mat (To keep those floors looking new!)

Decor

You'll be living with some new dimensions and spaces, so think ahead about how these purchases will bring out your personal style.

- Potted Plants
- Area Rugs
- Curtains or Blinds
- Display Shelves and Picture Ledges
- Welcome Mats
- Shower Curtains
- Placemats and other Table Linens
- Entry Hall Art

New Homeowners

New homes are a joy to move into, but there are still some necessities. If this is your first experience as a new homeowner, use our checklist to help you decide on essential household items.

- Appliances
- Refrigerator
- Washer/Dryer
- Microwave
- Lamps

Furniture

- Bed
- Nightstand
- Dresser
- Couch
- Coffee and End Tables
- Chairs
- Dining Table and Chairs
- Barstools
- Accent Tables
- Desk
- Desk Chair

Security

You may wish to rekey your new home's locks, and add additional security measures. These are some of the most popular additions for those furnishing a new home. Many of these have "Smart" options that allow you to control them with a phone app, and to check in while you're away.

- Locks
- Lockbox
- Keys
- Alarm System
- Smart Doorbell
- Security Camera

Groceries

Stock up before the move, and you'll avoid unnecessary trips to the grocery store when you're tired and busy. Grab some staples - and a few treats - and you'll be ready to power through your first days of settling in.

- Bottled Water
- Assorted Sodas
- Coffee, Tea

- Milk
- Quick Snacks, like Granola Bars
- Pasta
- Pasta Sauce
- Butter
- Cooking Oil
- Bread
- Lunch Meat
- Condiments like Mustard and Mayonnaise
- Cereal
- Fresh Fruits

Pets

Don't forget about your smallest family members. Set them up with their own special area, and stock it with the essentials.

- Food and Water Bowls
- Crates or Bed
- Litter Box and Litter
- Food

Start planning your move-in now by downloading our list and working through each section. By the time you're unlocking your new front door, you'll feel ready to conquer the day with well-organized choices!

Take A Deep Breath...You Made It!

Exciting, exhausting – but worth it! We've created this list to help you start early, stay motivated, and enjoy your new home right away.

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