

# CHRIS WYLIE'S CHECKLIST FOR MOVING

## ADDRESS CHANGE

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- Give forwarding address to post office 2 to 3 weeks before moving.
- Charge accounts, credit cards.
- Subscriptions: Notice requires 6 to 8 weeks
- Friends and relatives

## BANK

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- Transfer funds and arrange check-cashing privileges in new city or area.
- Arrange credit references.

## INSURANCE

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- For life, health, fire and auto coverages, notify insurance companies of new address.

## UTILITY COMPANIES

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- Gas, light, water, telephone, fuel, garbage.
- Get refunds on deposits made.
- Return cable boxes.

## DELIVERY SERVICE

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- Laundry, newspaper, changeover of service.

## MEDICAL, DENTAL, PRESCRIPTION HISTORIES

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- Ask you doctor and dentist for referrals, transfer needed for prescriptions, eyeglasses, X-rays. Obtain birth records, medical records, etc.

## PETS

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- Ask about regulations for licenses, vaccinations, tags, etc.

## DON'T FORGET TO:

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- Empty freezer. Plan use of foods.
- Defrost freezer and clean refrigerator.
- Have appliances serviced for moving.
- Clean rugs or clothing before moving. Have them wrapped.
- Check with your moving counselor regarding insurance coverage, packing and unpacking labor, arrival day, various shipping papers, method and time of expected payment.
- Plan for special care needs for infants and pets.
- Check with Agriculture Department of new area to see if they have restrictions on plants.

## **ON MOVING DAY:**

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- Carry enough cash or traveler's checks to cover cost of moving services and expenses until you make banking connections in the new city.
- Carry jewelry and important documents yourself, or use registered mail.
- Plan for transporting pets; they are poor traveling companions if unhappy.
- Let close friends or relatives know the route and schedule you will be traveling, including overnight stops. Use them as message headquarters.
- Double-check closets, drawers, shelves to be sure they are empty.
- Leave old keys, garage door openers, broiler pans, landscape plans, and instruction manuals needed by new owner with real estate agent.

## **AT YOUR NEW ADDRESS:**

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- Obtain certified checks or cashier's checks necessary for closing real estate transaction (check transaction coordinator/title company for details).
- Check on service of telephone, gas, electricity, water and garbage.
- Check pilot light on stove, for water heater and furnace.
- Ask mail carrier for mail he or she may be holding for your arrival.
- Have new address recorded on your driver's license.
- Visit city office and register for voting.
- Register car within 5 days after arrival in state, or you may have to pay a penalty when getting new license plate.
- Obtain inspection sticker and transfer motor club membership.
- Apply for state driver's license.
- Register family in your new place of worship.
- Register children in school.
- Arrange for medical services: doctor, dentist, veterinarian, etc.