

MOVING COUNTDOWN

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
30 MOVING SUPPLIES Stock up on moving-grade boxes, heavy-duty packing tape, labels, bubble wrap and permanent markers for your move.	29 SORT THROUGH YOUR BOOKSHELVES Are there any used books you don't plan to read again? Donate them to your local library or school.	28 CLEAN OUT CLOSET Go through your closets and start weeding out any clothes you or your kids haven't worn in the past year. Give yourself two days to get this done.	27 DONATE OLD CLOTHES Finish your closet purging today and donate the clothing you are discarding to friends and family or to charity.	26 SHRED UNNEEDED PAPERWORK Go through paperwork and files and shred any records that you don't need to retain.	25 HOME INVENTORY Start packing. As you pack, create an inventory of your possessions, which can help in the event of loss or damage during the move .	24 LABEL, LABEL, LABEL Label everything you pack, including the boxes, to identify their contents and their room in the house to help with the unpacking process.
23 UPDATE ADDRESS Arrange to change your address with the post office online . Update your address with newspapers, magazines, banks, credit card companies and your car insurer.	22 PACK SEASONAL ITEMS Start packing items you won't need between now and your move, including off-season clothing.	21 PACK HEAVIER ITEMS Pack all books and other items that are heavy but not fragile. Practice safe lifting techniques as you pack, whether you are moving yourself or hiring professionals.	20 DONATE WHAT YOU DON'T NEED Arrange to have a charitable organization pick up any furniture or other items that you wish to donate.	19 TIME TO DIGITIZE? Consider digitizing your CDs, DVDs and other space-hogging files.	18 PACK UNUSED ROOMS Start packing up items in your basement, guest room or other spaces that you don't use often.	17 RECYCLE JUNK MAIL Recycle any magazines, catalogs and junk mail that you don't want to save.
16 PACK STORAGE SPACES Tackle your junk drawers, purging what you no longer need and packing the rest.	15 TACKLE THE GARAGE If you have a garage, organize it. Now's the time to dispose of any garbage and items you'll want to recycle.	14 DISPOSE OF ELECTRONIC WASTE Check out e-waste recycling programs or charities where you can safely dispose of or donate old computers or mobile devices you no longer want.	13 PACK UP PANTRY Go through your pantry and pack up unexpired nonperishables you won't be eating before you move and donate them to a food pantry.	12 GRAB A DOLLY If you're moving yourself, consider renting a dolly or hand truck to make it easier and safer to move large or heavy items.	11 KEEP FURNITURE HARDWARE IN ORDER When disassembling furniture, tape screws and other hardware to their larger pieces. Label to make reassembling easier.	10 DONATE TOYS If you have children, help them sort through toys and other items that they've outgrown or no longer use. Donate items in good condition and dispose of the rest.
09 PUT KITCHEN IN ORDER Give your kitchen an earnest look. Consider giving away any kitchen gadgets that you rarely use.	08 INFORM UTILITY COMPANIES Contact the electric company, cable provider and other utilities in your current town and the town you're moving to with your move date.	07 PACK SIMILAR ITEMS As you continue packing, pack similar items together in boxes to make it easier and more efficient to unpack.	06 GET TOILETRIES TOGETHER Set aside the clothing and toiletries that you will need between now and your move; pack the rest.	05 PREPARE FIRST NIGHTBOX Pack a box that has all the supplies you'll need for your first night in your new place. Include medication, clothes, toiletries, toilet paper, chargers and other things you'll need right away.	04 FINISH PACKING BEFORE GUESTS COME If you have family or friends coming to help you move, try to make sure you're finished packing before they arrive.	03 NUMBER EACH BOX YOU PACK Make a detailed list of the contents of each box to ensure you didn't forget any boxes or items.
02 PACK FRAGILE ITEMS Carefully pack fragile items, including fine china, crystal and antiques, and arrange to move them separately from the moving van or truck.	01 MOVING DAY!	<p>SHARE THIS MOVING CALENDAR with your family, friends and neighbors to help them #ThinkSafe. VISIT travelers.com to learn more.</p>				

