# YOUR MOVING CHECKLIST

# A MONTH BEFORE YOUR MOVE

- 1. Reserve a moving company with an exact date ideally a month before your move. Of course, we recommend Wright Moving Company, but if we can't help, we can refer you to another local upon request.
- 2. Purchase your moving supplies and start filling boxes.
- 3. Start to clean out closets, the garage, and attic. If you don't need it, get rid of it. It will save you time and money to move less stuff, and we hear it's good for the soul.
- 4. If you plan on giving goods to charity, we can help. You may also be able to write off some of the donations on your taxes...but we recommend you talk to your accountant about that.
- 5. If you have kids moving schools, it can take time to register and transfer records. Start this early.
- 6. Get a change of address card from the Post Office, or fill one out online.
- 7. Notify your employer's HR team, insurance companies, credit cards, banks, utilities and all other organizations of your change of address.

## ONE TO TWO WEEKS BEFORE THE MOVE

- 1. Pack the essentials you will need for the final day or two of your move (clothes, toiletries, medicine, computer, chargers, and snacks).
- 2. If you are packing yourself, label all moving boxes as you pack. Write the destination room on the top and sides of each moving box to ensure it gets to the right place in your new home. That way, the moving company will put the boxes in the right rooms to begin with, saving you from having to move every box in the home twice.
- 3. Schedule disconnects for utilities such as gas, electric, water, internet and the telephone. If you have a landline or monitored security system, do not disconnect it until

after your move. Schedule connections for your new residence (especially internet as it can often take a week or so to get connected.

4. If you need help with cleaning services after the move out, contact a local company, or have Wright Moving Company help you with this as well.

#### THE WEEK OF THE MOVE

- 1. Mail in your change of address form.
- 2. Clean the last few things like fridge, stove, blinds, etc.
- 3. Finish up packing and labeling and be sure all items are boxed and ready to go prior to the movers' arrival. This will save them time, and will save you money.
- 4. If you have pets or small children, arrange for them to be with a trusted friend or relative for the day. This will avoid any potential accidents and will keep your stress to a minimum.

## THE DAY BEFORE THE MOVE

- 1. Ensure all your boxes are ready to go. If necessary, fill the last box or two with any left over items you would like to take.
- 2. Gather firearms, ammunition, and any highly flammable tanks so as to be moved yourself, as these items cannot be transported by Wright Moving Company by law.
- 3. Get enough cash to tide you over. Cash comes in handy if you need to order pizza or tip a service provider.
- 4. Say goodbye to your neighbors and take a lot of great pictures to remember with.

#### DAY OF THE MOVE

- 1. Make sure the movers have a clear path to and from the home. Please make sure all ice, snow, garbage or debris is cleared. This will save you time and money.
- 2. Pack up your personal belongings that will be going with you personally. Remember to clean out medicine cabinets, mailboxes and any other things you will need.

- 3. Please make sure you are there when the movers arrive. This way, you can direct them for any particular instructions or order of packing that may need to happen.
- 4. Once you have all your belongings loaded up, please do one last walk through to ensure everything is on the truck, and any debris or garbage is loaded as well.
- 5. Lastly, breath. Moving can help start new chapters. Focus on the good, the memories, and all the adventures that lay ahead.