

# All Points Moving & Storage

## Local Household Moving Tips

Below you will find some moving tips for your forthcoming move. We want you to have a problem-free move and have listed some procedures you need to follow.

Whether you are buying and selling a house or renting an apartment, coordination of vacancy and occupancy dates can be a challenge. If your new home isn't ready as quickly as you had hoped for, All Points Moving offers storage for your goods.

All Points Moving & Storage is a leader in safe, secure warehousing techniques and facilities. Your belongings will be handled carefully, and stored in a manner to protect them from dirt, dust and humidity. You are welcome at any time to visit our Storage facility where your shipment is stored.

In addition to storage in transit, All Points Moving & Storage can provide you with long term storage for all or part of your household possessions. Your shipment will be held, ready for delivery at an agreed upon time.

If you anticipate requiring storage at destination, identify items you may need before your shipment is delivered. Those belongings should be clearly marked, so that they can be kept separate from the balance of your shipment, and readily available to you.

### *Becoming Involved*

When you talk about moving, you really mean relocating. It's a process that usually takes anywhere from 90 to 120 days. If you and your family become involved in the process, you will find it can be a well organized, efficient experience. The key is your effort to control each aspect of the relocation

Moving is not something you can stand back and watch. Nor can it be done alone. The responsibilities of relocating need to be shared ... among you, your spouse, children, friends, employer, and last but not least, the moving company you select.

### *Planning And Organization*

Plan, organize, plan, organize, plan, organize, plan, organize, plan, organize, plan, organize ... There. We probably haven't said it enough. But if you can master those two concepts, you are well on your way to an efficient and painless move.

**Make a list of what you need to do, and when you need to do it. One approach is to make a calendar of events for your moving time table.**

### ***Compiling Personal Records***

**All the time you have been living in your current home, you have been building important records of your personal history. Medical, dental, financial, and legal information will take on increased importance in your new community. Information gathering should be a simple process that you can begin working on several months before your actual move.**

**Contact your family doctor and dentist - and all of the specialists you may have been to like pediatricians, obstetricians, and eye doctors and get copies of your medical records. Your new physicians and dentists will need your history.**

**If you have a pet, you will need their medical records too. Your veterinarian can give you copies of their immunization certificates which you will probably need to get new tags or licenses. Arrange to transfer the contents of your safety deposit box to a bank near your new home. In it, you will likely have not only securities and valuables, but important papers like marriage and birth certificates. Make sure you have a record of the contents. While you are at the bank, notify them of your planned move, and arrange to transfer funds to a new bank or branch. If you make a house hunting trip to your new city, it's a good time to find a bank, discuss mortgage arrangements if you are buying a house, and open an account, all before your move.**

**And remember the other professionals: accountants, who will have copies of your taxes, lawyers, insurance agents including both life and auto/home coverage, stock brokers, and schools for the kid's records.**

### ***Time To Be Practical ----- Do You Really Need It?***

**Now is the time to consider what you really do or do not need. Like the sofa your mother-in-law gave you that's been in the basement for two years. Chances are, if you haven't used it in the last year, you probably never will!**

**Consider your appliances. If you have been wanting a new refrigerator with an icemaker, now may be the time to look for a new one that matches your new kitchen. And if your washer and dryer are getting old and battered, consider selling them. Garage sales are another American tradition that are especially useful before moving. They enable you to sell unwanted furniture, appliances, clothing, and other household items that you no longer use, while putting a little more welcomed spending money in your pocket.**

**The kid's room is usually a good place to start when it comes to eliminations. The clothes they have outgrown and the toys they don't play with can be sold at the garage sale, or may be welcomed by your favorite charity. And remember, when you make charitable donations, the Internal Revenue Service may allow certain deductions from your federal income tax.**

The house plants you have carefully nurtured may appreciate adoption by a friend rather than the rigorous journey in your car. If they must go with you, your mover cannot take them, but you may be able to arrange transportation through a florist or nursery. Consider motor vehicles including cars, campers, boats, trailers, motorcycles, and snowmobiles. Your mover can take them for you, but if you plan to drive, be sure and have your car and trailer serviced before the trip.

### *Things that Simply Cannot Go*

There are two categories of things that cannot go with the mover, and that you probably will not want to drag them around yourself; namely perishables like frozen foods, and hazardous materials. Plan your meals to use up the contents of your freezer at least a week before you go. Defrost the freezer and allow it to stand with the door open for three or four days so it will dry out and not mildew in transit. It's a good idea to do the same thing even with automatic defrosting refrigerators. Be sure to block the door so it cannot close accidentally on small children.

Hazardous materials include anything flammable or corrosive, like paint, cleaning products, antifreeze and oil, and of course, gasoline. Also, if you have got a gas grill with a tank, be sure the tank is completely empty before either you or the mover takes it. If you have leftover paint from your house, label cans as to where it was used and leave them behind in the garage or basement. The new residents will appreciate the favor.

Keep these types of items clearly separated from everything else so nothing gets packed or moved unintentionally. Whatever you do, remember not to ship anything that might put at risk all of your possessions in the moving van.

### *Use Common Sense*

***DO NOT pack up watches, jewelry, money or important documents. DO NOT leave these items in dresser drawers or laying on top of furniture. Take these articles with you. Perishable Article or Articles of Extraordinary Value Should be Transported by you as well.***

- 1. The carriers will not assume any liability whatsoever for: documents, currency, money, jewelry, watches, precious stones, or articles of extraordinary value including accounts, antiques, bills, deeds, evidence of debt, securities, notes, postage stamps, stamp collections, revenue stamps, letters or packets of letters, articles of peculiarly inherent value, precious metals or articles manufactured therefrom which are not specifically listed on the bill of lading.**
- 2. When perishable articles are included in a shipment with or without knowledge of the carrier, responsibility for condition or flavor will not be assumed by the carrier.**

## *Before You Move*

1. **Plan meals that will use up perishable and frozen foods.**
2. **Dispose of all combustibles, lyes, paints and dyes.**
3. **Separate goods you wish to move yourself.**
4. **Have all appliances to be moved, disconnected prior to your move date. Defrost and dry your freezer and refrigerator the night before if they are to be moved.**
5. **IMPORTANT-Be sure that you understand your insurance coverage and have placed adequate valuation on your household goods. Transit Certificates -Please advise your moving representative in advance if you desire additional valuation so we may issue a certificate of insurance and prepare the bill of lading. It is important that you purchase enough valuation for your shipment. Full replacement value must be based on \$3.50/lb. Under valuation can lead to underpayment in the event of a claim. If you have any questions, again please ask your moving representative.**

## *On Moving Day*

1. **DO NOT HAVE YOUR PHONE DISCONNECTED UNTIL AFTER LOADING DAY. It is important for us to be able to have contact with yourself and our crew.**
2. **Plan your day so that you will not leave your old residence until the moving company leaves, unless you have a reliable person to act on your behalf and to sign all necessary documents.**
3. **When all goods have been loaded, make a thorough check of all rooms, attics, basements, closets, cupboards and behind doors. It is your responsibility to make sure that nothing has been overlooked and to make sure nothing has been loaded into the van in error.**

## *Upon Delivery*

1. **Make a physical count of your goods as they are brought into your new residence.**
2. **Make appropriate notations of any missing items or damages on the bill of lading or delivery receipt at time of delivery. The best proof is always a written notation at the time of delivery.**
3. **Be sure your copy of the delivery papers is signed by the driver and includes notations of any damages or losses.**
4. **DO NOT dispose of any damaged articles without prior approval from our claims office. Contact the mover as soon as possible to report any damaged or missing items.**