



MOVING HOUSE - CHECKLIST

In addition to dealing with Developers or Estate Agents and solicitors, when planning on moving house there are a lot of things to remember. Here are a few things that can help get you started:

Before the move	
Collect boxes, order bubble wrap and packing tape which are available from many on-line retailers	
Pre-book van or removal company – any time delays between moving out and moving in?	
Mark any packed boxes with the rooms they should go in for easy unpacking	
Tie cardboard luggage labels on any keys and label which doors and windows they belong too	
Make arrangements for post to be forwarded on or redirect with Royal Mail	
Find out what day are the bins being emptied or the nearest tip to get rid of used packing materials	
Arrange home insurance for the new property and cancel or transfer any existing insurances	
Check car parking facilities e.g. on or off road and change address on your car insurance	
Cancel or transfer internet connection / landline and arrange date for set up in new house	
Find out where the gas and electricity meters are along with the main water stopcock	
Any special instructions for using cooker, wood burning stove, heating system etc.	
Are there any special warranties or guarantees for the windows, white goods etc.	
Find out what colour the walls are painted for any post-move touch ups required	
Check for the nearest bus route, supermarket, train station etc.	
Is there an emergency contact for any unexpected issues after moving in	
Make a list of companies you will need to advise of your new address e.g. employer	
Give notice for cancelling any subscriptions or deliveries e.g. gym membership, newspapers, milk	
Pack a box with things you'll need e.g. snacks, kettle, teabags, mugs, spoons, toilet rolls etc.	
Have a tool box handy for re-assembling any furniture	
Keep a pen and paper handy for any last minute updates you need to remember	

After the move	
Undertake a handover inspection with your Developer to identify any issues or 'snags'	
Advise your bank, credit card company, driving licence etc. – many require this in writing	
Register with a new doctor and dentist if required	
Update any subscriptions with your new address	
Update the electoral roll with your new address	
Check any alarms are working and how to switch on and off	
Get additional house keys cut if necessary	
Advise the local authority of change of address for Council Tax	