

Your Moving Checklist

Moving house can be a fun and exciting adventure, but the prospect of planning the move can be a daunting task. We've compiled a three stage to-do list to help you get organised and make the move a little easier.

3 months in advance

Stage 1

- Download Your Jennian Moving Checklist
- If you are currently renting, ensure you provide your landlord with the appropriate notice in writing
- If you own your own home or need to sell other existing assets, start to reach out to the relevant professionals
- Create a budget for moving, think about things like moving companies, real estate fees, renovations, or cleaning fees/supplies
- Go through your belongings and donate anything you no longer need
- Decide if you would like to do the move yourself or hire a moving company - be sure to book this in
- Request time off work if necessary
- Do your research on the location you're planning on moving to e.g. where are the closest supermarkets, healthcare centres...
- Consider which utilities you may need to switch over or set up at your new home

2 weeks in advance

Stage 2

- Confirm your moving dates and times, and with anyone who is lending you a hand
- Arrange for someone to look after your pets and/or kids on the day
- Make sure your pets are microchipped, as they may get lost while navigating a new location
- Arrange to have any subscriptions or packages delivered to your new address
- Notify any relevant service provider or person of your address change e.g. insurances, stores with billing addresses on file, post office, banks, electoral registrar, schools/workplaces, friends and family, healthcare providers, vehicle registration...
- Begin packing and labelling boxes - leave the things you will need up until moving day for last
- Confirm disconnection/connection dates with your utility providers
- Book in professional cleaning for your current property if required
- Plan meals around using up food you already have in the fridge/freezer or pantry

On the day

Stage 3

- Wake up early and have a nutritious breakfast
- Confirm your movers and/or helpers' arrival time
- Drop the kids and/or pets off with their carer for the day
- Fill up water bottles and ensure snacks are plentiful to stay hydrated and fuelled throughout the day
- Don't forget the sunscreen if you're going to be outside - even if it's cloudy
- Do any last minute laundry then disconnect the machine
- Empty fridge and freezer contents into chilly bins/coolers and throw away anything that won't keep. Unplug to defrost
- Pack all valuables and items that need to be easily accessed separately, keep these in a safe place
- Disconnect any electronics and label the leads so that reconnection runs smoothly
- Dismantle any large items where possible e.g. remove feet from couches, disassemble bed frames...
- Prepare accurate directions to your new address, with advice on where to park
- Draw up a rough plan of what is going where in your new home - to avoid double handling
- Remove any rubbish from your old house
- Confirm your cleaners arrival date/time, or remember to allow time for cleaning if doing this yourself. Ideally this will be after moving day
- If you're renting, arrange a time to do a final sweep of the property. Drop off all of your keys and sign any documents if required
- You don't need to start unpacking everything straight away, all the items you need immediately should be easy to access and packed together
- Pay the movers and thank anyone that helped out with the move with a bottle of wine
- Pick up the kids and/or pets
- Relax in your new Jennian home and treat yourself to some takeaways for dinner!

Tools and Supplies

Don't forget!

- Boxes
- Packing Tape
- Bubble Wrap
- Trailer/Truck
- Helpers
- Marker/Labels
- Scissors/Box Cutter
- Rubbish Bags
- Cleaning Supplies
- Hand Trolley
- Safety Straps/Bungee Cords
- Moving Blankets/Pads
- Food and Water
- Sunscreen
- Toolbox - Screwdriver, Allan Key etc.

