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Basic ~~tips~~ when moving

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Prepare in advance for the move

It is best to start packing 1–2 weeks before the scheduled time.

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Money and documents

Initially, they should be lying separately, but not in the truck — your most valuable items should always be with you.

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Disassembly and determination of total volume

This will allow you to determine exactly what type of transportation will be required, as well as the type and quantity of packing material.

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Stock and selection of packaging material

These can be cardboard boxes, bubble wrap, bags, shoe boxes, household appliances, packing tape.

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You don't want to pack things you won't use

Moving is a great time to get rid of junk. It can be taken to a country house, to a landfill or to recycling centers.



Sequence of packing

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Packing should start with items that are little or haven't been used for a long time. The last place to pack is hygiene products, shoes, and daily clothes.

Disassembling furniture and unplugging appliances

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Packing your belongings when moving also involves packing the fittings from the furniture. All appliances should be in a switched off state.

Boxes and packages must be signed

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You can use stickers, or you can write just on the packaging. This way you can take things straight to the room where they will be in the future.

Take the boxes apart bit by bit

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Until you take one box apart and put everything in its place, don't start another.

Use the services of transportation companies

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Carriers know about how to perform packing of things, what kinds of materials to use, will choose the right transportation. But most importantly, the move will be completed as quickly as possible.





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Dishes¹

✓ 9 steps



- 1 Spread a layer of filler on the bottom of the box, place a blanket or crumpled paper.
- 2 Stack heavy on the bottom, light on the top.
- 3 Wrap glasses and mugs without handles in paper or hide them in warm socks.
- 4 Secure the handles of the cups with an extra layer of packing paper.
- 5 Wrap the crystal goblets in a piece of polyethylene and put crumpled paper inside.
- 6 Stack the glasses, cups and glasses in the box. Use dividers to hold them in place — you can buy special ones or simply separate them with cardboard strips.
- 7 Stack the plates in stacks, placing a layer of down polyethylene, crumpled paper, or T-shirts between each one.
- 8 Wrap knives and forks in paper or plastic wrap or tape. Only place them flat in the boxes.
- 9 The spoons can be tied together with a rubber band or string.
- 10 Wrap the pans and pots with cloth or polyethylene. Use filler to fill the voids in the box.



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Technique²

4 tips



Televisions and monitors should be wrapped in bubble wrap, then corrugated cardboard, and the corners should be reinforced. The screen will be protected by an additional sheet of cardboard, place it as the first layer before the film.



If your refrigerator requires «defrosting», take care of it in advance. Then remove all containers, shelves, drawers, drawers — it is better to pack them separately. Fix the door — use paper tape for this purpose. You can protect the walls with cardboard and film. Remember — the refrigerator is always transported in an upright position.



Small appliances should be wrapped in several layers of «bubble wrap», then simply fold each item into a box to fit.



Wires, cables and other similar things are optimally packed and transported together with the objects to which they belong (TV wires — with the TV set, from the laptop — with the laptop).





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Furniture

3 tips



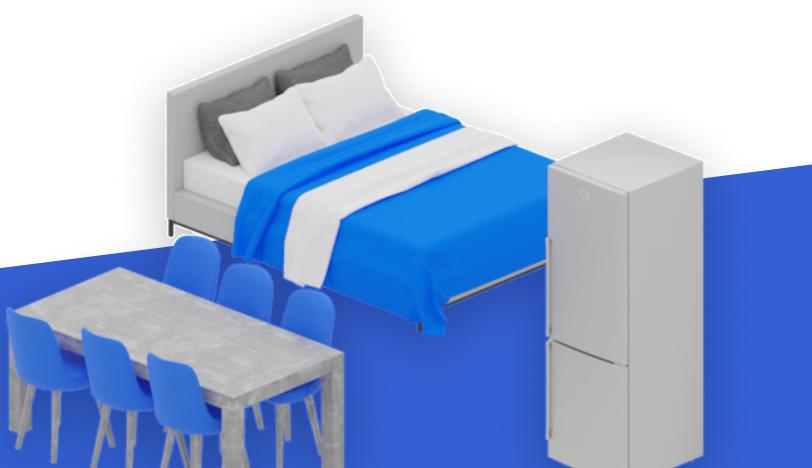
Cabinets or shelving that will not fit in an elevator or car are best disassembled before transportation. Be sure to label all the elements, mark the top and bottom, securely attach a dense bag with small fittings directly to the furniture. So exactly nothing will not be lost, will not get mixed up, and in a new apartment will not have problems with the fact that correctly and as quickly as possible to assemble the furniture. After disassembly, wrap the individual parts in stretch film, the corners can be protected with cardboard or several layers of bubble wrap.



Chairs, tables, coffee tables and other small pieces of furniture may not be disassembled in preparation for the move, just unscrew the legs, handles and other protruding elements, if any. Put all the parts next to each other, so as not to lose them during the move. Then simply wrap them in several layers of film.



Film can help protect upholstered furniture from moisture or dust. Additional protection of corners, individual parts or legs — cardboard, special «corners» or several layers of bubble wrap.





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Books

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Clothes, shoes,⁵ textiles, bedding

Once the clothes are sorted by season, they can be packed in travel bags, suitcases, large bags, coffers and airtight bags. To save space, winter clothes, comforters, pillows and other bulky items can be transported in vacuum bags. Bedding, clothes, textiles, curtains can also be conveniently transported in plastic bags, and shoes in boxes.





Clothes, shoes, textiles, bedding

- Put clothes and sheets in vacuum bags to compress the volume.
- Use plastic boxes instead of cardboard boxes so you don't waste time assembling and disassembling.
- Use pillows, blankets, and other soft items to fill in the gaps between items in the boxes.
- Wrap lightweight and fragile items in paper or bubble wrap to prevent damage during transit.
- Pack items that can break in separate boxes so they don't damage other things.
- Tie long items like skateboards or skis together so they don't take up a lot of space.
- Items with a round or torpedo shape will take up less space in the box than items with more complex shapes.
- Disassembling furniture before transportation will also help to save space.
- Place heavy items at the bottom of boxes or containers to eliminate the risk of damage to lighter items.
- Distribute the weight equally among the boxes to make them easier to transport and avoid uneven weight.
- Use the space inside the furniture: e.g. stack things in a cupboard, drawer, dresser, etc.



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