

Printable Moving Interstate Checklist

Things to Do Before the Move

Make sure you tick these things off from this interstate moving checklist months or weeks before your move:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Create a folder for your interstate move on Google Drive.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Document and file everything. Spend an afternoon sorting all the receipts, quotes, and records you think you need and upload them to your Google Drive folder.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Start creating your moving house interstate checklist. Using Google Docs, make a timeline list for moving out of state of important dates in a shared document so you can keep adding to it as you go.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Come up with a realistic budget. Decide on what you can afford to move and what you can afford to sell.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get moving quotes (from at least two or three shipping estimates from reputable interstate movers). → Get a quote from Relocations WA now
<input type="checkbox"/>	Read the fine print. Closely read the contract before you sign – you should clearly understand what is being offered and what is not.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Declutter, donate, bin, sell. Using that spreadsheet list of things to keep, donate, bin or sell.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Change your details. Post office address redirects, banking and credit accounts, insurance contracts, local, state, and federal government services (myGov is very handy), community group newsletters, gym memberships – the list goes on. → See Change of Address Checklist
<input type="checkbox"/>	Start shopping for packing and moving supplies.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get all essential documents together. If you have kids, this would be a good time to get copies of their school transcript of records. Better yet, arrange for a direct inter-school transfer of all documents required.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Back up your computer files. Here, you can also use Google Drive to back up all your files, as well as separate hard drives.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrol your kids in the new school and kindergarten.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Start packing. It's up to you whether packing by room will be one of your strategies. → Read: How to Pack for Interstate Move

Tick All These Boxes During the Move

When we say during the move, we're referring to the last 1 or 2 days leading up to your moving date.

<input type="checkbox"/>	Clean your fridge. Ensure you have ample time to completely defrost and clean your refrigerator and freezer about 24 hours before your moving schedule.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Survey and clean all empty rooms. Clean up or have the cleaners do this task for you to ensure you leave behind a neat and orderly house. → See: End-of-Lease Cleaning Checklist
<input type="checkbox"/>	Double check all boxes. Ensure all boxes are labelled appropriately. If you find any stray boxes, label those accordingly.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Pack up your essential items and overnight bag. Put your hygiene kit together and those of other family members. Assign everyone their own bags.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Prepare some on-the-road entertainment. If you're moving with kids and pets, let your kids take one or two of their favourite games and toys.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Go over your moving day checklist. You still have a few hours to finish last-minute tasks, so get those over and done with to avoid stressing over them tomorrow.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Get enough sleep. Try to get a good night's sleep by going to bed as early as possible.

Then, on the day of the move itself...

<input type="checkbox"/>	Wear comfortable clothes. Casual, comfortable clothes that allow you to move freely are your best bet.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Designate people to take charge of the kids and pets. Keep them safe and out of the movers' way.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Supervise the removalists. Once the movers arrive, be there to show them around your old home and give them whatever special instructions you may have so they can do their job efficiently.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Conduct a final walkthrough. To ensure nothing and no one is left behind, and that you lock everything up, do one final sweep of your old home. Ensure the water and gas supplies and electricity are turned off before you go.

After the Move – The More Enjoyable Part

Welcome to your new home – Once you get to your new place:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Check all your utilities are on before your mobile phone battery dies. Open your new place and check the water, electricity and gas supplies. You should also check if your internet connection is ready.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Once your movers have offloaded, you can start unpacking. However, make sure your itemised checklist from your old house is ready. Also, check everything off the list provided by the movers earlier and the new one the last crew just gave you.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Check to see if all the large white goods, stove, oven, dishwasher, washing machine, etc. are all working and haven't been damaged in transit. Do this as soon as possible for all your electrical appliances and any other big-ticket items.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Air out your new place. Open the windows and doors to ventilate your new home. Make sure your gate is secure or someone is supervising before allowing your kids and pets to explore your new home.
<input type="checkbox"/>	Collect all your receipts, contracts, and other documentation and file these somewhere safe. Who knows, your accountant might even be able to claim some of the costs back on your next tax return.

Here's to a Smooth and Carefree Move!

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