

## 2 Months Before

- ✓ Arrange a conveyancing solicitor to handle the legal aspect of moving home
- ✓ If you're renting, confirm your moving in date with the landlord
- ✓ If you're buying, range and finalise your mortgage



## 6 Weeks To Go



- ✓ Arrange a surveyor
- ✓ Begin to de-clutter—you'll be surprised what's lurking in cupboards, attics and sheds! Go through the kids' toys, slim down your wardrobe and shred any paperwork you no longer need.



- ✓ Get quotes for removals and storage companies—ensure they are fully insured and have good reviews
- ✓ Create a full inventory, room by room, to help with organising and unpacking
- ✓ Arrange for fragile items to be packed and transported separately

## 4 Weeks To Go

- ✓ Finalise moving date with all parties
- ✓ Contact removal company to finalise details and any special requirements
- ✓ Start packing non-essential items such as shed contents, kids' toys, ornaments and soft furnishings
- ✓ Organise time off work, childcare and a hotel if required
- ✓ Cancel subscriptions, arrange final bills or transfer of services with your main suppliers



## 2 Weeks To Go



- ✓ Begin to dispose of any flammable materials and liquids which cannot be transported with you
- ✓ Arrange access parking with neighbours and let them know there will be some disruption on the day
- ✓ Arrange a plumber or electrician to attend your property to disconnect / dismantle your appliances safely
- ✓ Start using up freezer contents and perishable foods—get creative with mealtimes

## 1 Week To Go

- ✓ Defrost your freezer
- ✓ Collate all your important documents to transport with you on the day, passports, deeds, wills etc. Pack them all in your personal box
- ✓ Label and if possible colour code all boxes to show which room they need to be put in.
- ✓ Notify schools, doctors, banks etc of your new address
- ✓ Collect all keys from your existing property, remembering keys to outbuildings, gates and sheds.
- ✓ Arrange to collect new keys



## The Day Before



- ✓ Check your personal box has everything you need
- ✓ Make up an essentials box—milk, bread, tea, coffee, snacks, toilet rolls and cleaning products. Maybe a bottle of Champagne to toast your new home?
- ✓ Double check all appliances are disconnected
- ✓ Pack all remaining boxes
- ✓ Charge your phone and set your alarm nice and early!

## Moving Day

### Old Home

- ✓ Take final meter readings
- ✓ Check all windows and doors are secure
- ✓ Do final walk-around and check all rooms, cupboards, attics and sheds

### New Home

- ✓ Take opening meter readings
- ✓ Inspect property and if necessary check if child/pet friendly
- ✓ Ensure all rooms have been fully emptied by previous occupant
- ✓ Hoover and wipe down
- ✓ Start unpacking and enjoying your new home