



**528 Fourth Street NE . Canton, Ohio 44702**

## **PREPARING FOR YOUR MOVE**

**\* Suggestions that may be more applicable to long distance moving**

### **To Start**

- Start looking into the process involved and the services offered by your local moving companies.
- Research Rates and Compare- Traditionally, Abbott Moving traditionally has some of the most cost effective moving plans in the area.
- Decide what type of move you prefer- Abbott Moving's highly trained personnel are equipped for anything from a Do-It-Yourself to a Full Service Relocation.

### **One Month and Counting**

- Contact Abbott Moving to speak with one of our friendly move consultants. They will assist you in planning and scheduling your move. In some cases, a representative may come out to give you a free estimate.
- Start downsizing- To lower move costs, take some time and decided what you would like to move. Begin discarding or donating items you do not wish to take with you. We would be happy to help you in this process as part of your moving services.
- Transfer homeowners insurance plans to your new home so that you are covered from the start. Remember that some homeowner's insurance plans cover partial or full moving costs.
- Contact your insurance carrier to find new medical, dental and vision service providers in your new area. Get copies of prescriptions or have them forwarded to a pharmacy in your new area.
- Research the local schools at your destination and have any necessary documents arrange transfer of school records.

### **Three Weeks To- Go**

- Start eating- Try and use up all the food you can (especially perishables).
- Arrange any third party services you may need. Some items such as appliances, free standing clocks, pool tables etc... need to be serviced before a move. Abbott Moving is happy to refer you to our preferred technicians.
- Know what cannot be taken on the truck. For the safety of your household goods, Abbott Moving will not take flammables, aerosols, ammunition or corrosive materials

## **Two Weeks Before**

- File an official change of address form with the U.S Postal Service for each person relocating to your new address. Notify Banks, Credit holders and any regular subscriptions of the change of address as well.
- Cancel utilities at your old home applicable the day after the move.
- Try to get rid of any liquids in order to prevent possible spills in transit.
- Return any items that have been borrowed or rented. Retrieve anything that you have loaned to friends, neighbors and loved ones. Gather anything in storage or on consignment or layaway
- Prepare all your travel arrangements for your trip to your new home.

## **One Week Left**

- Contact current cable or satellite providers to cancel or transfer service. Arrange for installation of new service at your new home.
  - Time Warner Cable: 1-877-77CABLE(1-877-772-2253)
  - DirecTV: 1-800-DIRECTV(1-800-347-32888)
  - Dish Network: 1-888-825-2557 (New Service),1-888- 284-7116(Current Service)
- Contact utility companies to arrange connection in your new home.
- Decide where furniture will go in your new home to help our crew to better serve you. A simple floor plan outlining where items will be place can make your move go very smoothly.
- Arrange payment method for your move. We accept cash, certified check, money order or credit card (Visa, MasterCard, Discover; with 3% convenience charge on all credit card payments) Payment will be expected upon completion of services.
- Disconnect phone service at your old home and connect at your new home.
- Drain water from all garden hoses, drain gas from mowers etc...
- \*Reconfirm travel reservations.
- \*Pack a suitcase for as many days as your goods will be in transit. Plan an extra day in case of unforeseen delays.
- \*Prep for the trip. Set aside any medicine or papers you will need. Get all maps, music, snacks and alike to make the trip more enjoyable.

## **The Day Before**

- Put vacuum, cleaning supplies, toiletries and a coffee pot in a box marked “load last” and inform our crew of its whereabouts upon their arrival at origin.
- Finish packing for the trip and develop a “safe zone” which contains items which will not be loaded by the Abbott crew.
- Clean and defrost your refrigerators and freezers- make sure they are dry by the next morning.
- \*Get name, address and phone number of your destination agent.

## **Moving Day!**

- Make sure that you or someone that knows your intentions is present to answer questions and direct movers. Confirm your new address and brief the driver on your travel plans. Exchange telephone numbers for new home and mobile device, if possible.
- Make a Final “walk through” to make sure nothing has been overlooked. Lock all doors and windows; turn out the lights and Rest Assured that your valued possessions are in good hands.

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