

Get Moving!



- Choose a lawyer to represent you
- Schedule a moving company / vehicle
Rental companies and moving companies can be booked well in advance. Make tentative arrangements when you know your expected moving date
- Purchase Home owners insurance on the property you have purchased
Banks will only extend the mortgage funds if they have confirmation that the home is insured.
- Coordinate the Transfer of Utilities to your name
You will need to call each of the utility companies that service your new home and have them transfer the utilities into your name. In order to save you the most amount of money, it is usually best to coordinate this with the seller so that utilities never get "cut off".

Utilities companies you may need to contact are:

- ◆ Electric
- ◆ Gas
- ◆ Phone
- ◆ Internet
- ◆ Cable

- Generate a list of all individuals you receive mail from, in order to mail out change of address cards
Following are suggestions to get you started: family / friends / church / social clubs / bank & other creditors – Visa, Mastercard, loan holders etc / newspaper & magazine subscriptions / doctor / dentist / veterinarian/ insurance agents (life insurance, car insurance etc.) / investment Brokers (RRSP's , stocks etc), schools, government agencies (income tax, family allowance GST refund etc), drivers licence
- Start packing!

Think about your move as a series of small projects that you can begin while your home is under contract. Your move will progress as your contract and closing progress. Some ideas to get you started are as follows:

- ◆ Pick up any laundry, dry cleaning or alterations
- ◆ Return library books
- ◆ Drain the sprinkler system
- ◆ Keep a copy of the local phone directory handy
- ◆ Clean area rugs and request to have them wrapped for moving
- ◆ Service all appliances, computers etc. for moving and wrap in bubble wrap or foam to Secure the items.
- ◆ Start reducing the number of things in your home that you really don't need or that won't go well in your new home. Have a garage sale or donate them to charity.
- ◆ Start by packing items that you don't use daily (good china, out of season clothing, Holiday decorations etc.) Pack breakable items with linens.
- ◆ Prepare your home for your move by securing carpet cleaning services and a cleaning company to give your home a final cleaning after you move out.
- ◆ Secure all birth certificates / medical cards etc. for all family members

