

MOVING HOUSE CHECKLIST

BEFORE YOU MOVE

TRY TO FIND OUT ABOUT YOUR NEW HOUSE:

- []1. Where's the main stopcock (to shut off the water)?
- []2. Where are the gas and electricity meters?
- []3. Do any surfaces need special cleaning products, e.g. wooden floors?
- []4. What day are the bins collected?
- []5. Can any old tins of paint in the same colour as the walls be left (for touching up marks)?
- []6. Are any instruction manuals or warranties available for items being left (e.g. windows, boiler, central heating)?
- []7. Which company supplies the energy, broadband and home phone?
- []8. Where is the thermostat?
- []9. Ask for instructions on how to use the central heating.

MOVING DAY

- []1. Label all boxes with which room they're due to go to, and a description of what's inside. Put these labels on the top and side of the box so you know what's inside when they're stacked.
- []2. Put screws and bolts from bits of furniture in freezer bags and stick to the relevant bit of furniture with masking tape.
- []3. Gather all sets of keys, front door, garage, windows and leave them all out ready for the new home owners.
- []4. Leave out any warranties for guarantees or items such as log burners, bi-fold doors, boilers.
- []5. Flatten some cardboard boxes and lay them down to protect flooring, or have old rugs to hand that can be thrown down onto floors whilst items are unloaded.
- []6. Have spare lightbulbs available in case needed.
- []7. Strip the beds and bundle everything up into a bin bag, ready to quickly unpack and cover your beds at the other end.
- []8. Make a note of all meter readings and keep this somewhere safe. Take a photo on your phone too.
- []9. Prepare a pre-packed box ready filled with tea, coffee, milk and the kettle. Ready to quickly unpack once you arrive at the new house.

