

# CHESTNUT PARK MOVING LIST

## STAY ON TRACK LEADING UP TO AND DURING YOUR MOVE

<b>8 Weeks Before Moving</b>	Interview movers and start collecting estimates. Invite them into your home so they can get an accurate estimate.
	Budget for moving expenses.
	Start a "move file" or "moving notebook" to keep track of all moving related questions, correspondence, and moving documents all in one place.
<b>4 to 6 Weeks Before Moving</b>	Begin purging your home. Decide which items you will keep, donate, and discard. Weigh carefully the cost of replacing heavy or bulky items against the cost of moving them.
	Purchase boxes and moving materials and begin organizing your pack.
	Cancel all insurance policies related to your current property and have your insurance agent make all necessary changes to ensure your new home is insured as of the closing date.
	Notify all contacts on the "Remember to Notify" checklist that apply to you.
	Contact all utilities to tell them when to cancel the utilities for the current property and when to activate the utilities for your new property.
	Arrange to have school records and veterinarian records transferred.
	Arrange for disposal of paints and other hazardous materials many movers will not move these items. Start using items that can't be moved such as frozen foods, bleach and aerosols.
	Complete a change-of-address form on the Canada Post website so mail is not lost in transition.
	Remember to clean out the garage as well as other storage sheds on the property.

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<b>3 Weeks Before Moving</b>		Start packing room by room. Clearly label each box with its contents and the room to which it is destined.
		Make plans for your family's and pet's transportation and temporary accommodation if required.
		Speak to your lawyer regarding the closing process, when you will meet for the final signing of paperwork, and what will happen on the day of closing.
		Speak to your mortgage professional to ensure any necessary bridge financing or mortgage transfer has been coordinated and all details are sorted.
		Put copies of pet medical and immunization records in your "move file."
<b>2 Weeks Before Moving</b>		Keep packing.
		Coordinate a cleaning service to come the day of closing, if not the day before, to ensure you leave the house in a good condition.
		Coordinate any handymen or electricians required to move electronics, take down mounted televisions and repair any damage caused by the removals.
		Pick up drying cleaning and close accounts at any local establishments you may not use again.
		Give away plants and perishables that are not being moved.
		Properly seal liquids for travel or throw them out.
		Pack an "essentials box" to keep with you during the move that includes absolute necessities for each family member.
		If children are involved, arrange for a play date or childcare for the day of closing so they are occupied and out of the way.
	Notify friends and family of your new address and phone number.	

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Days Before Moving		Drain gas and oil from lawn equipment, gas grills, heaters, etc.
		Drain hoses and waterbeds
		Empty and defrost refrigerator at least 24 hours before the move.
		Pack a "first minute box" of items you will need to access immediately upon arrival at your new home like cleaning supplies, a tool kit, bathroom and kitchen supplies, and a playpen. Make sure these items travel with you, not the movers.
		Take down curtains, drapery and artwork that are excluded from the sale and ensure any holes are repaired.
		Confirm the date and time of the movers' arrival.
		Confirm with your lawyer or real estate agent how you will get the keys to your new property once it has closed.
		Plan for meals on the day of closing.
The Day Before Moving		Wash and pack remaining dishes, and pack all other remaining items.
		Make sure you have your "moving file" ready and check off any last-minute to-dos.
		Make a list of remaining items you need to pack at the last minute so nothing is forgotten.
		If possible, coordinate a visit to your new home with your real estate agent to check that everything is as it should be.
		Place carpet, floor and door protectors throughout your new home.

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<b>Moving Day</b>	Coordinate delivery/pick-up of children and pets.
	Make sure sidewalks are clear of ice and debris.
	When you meet the movers at your home, make sure to point out breakable, heavy or awkward items.
	Tell the movers the order in which you'd like your items loaded. Higher priority items should be loaded last so they are unloaded first.
	Go over the moving paperwork to ensure the destination address is correct, and all items to be moved are noted and correctly valuated.
	Remember to keep your "first minute box" separate from all other items being moved.
	Check every room and closet one last time to make sure nothing is left behind.
	Leave any garage remotes, extra keys not provided to your lawyer, utility manuals and other relevant materials for the new home owner.
	Leave a note with your new address so that future residents can forward stray mail.
	Once closing is confirmed, retrieve keys from your lawyer or ask your real estate agent to deliver them to you.
	Go to your new home to check that everything is working and all inclusions are there, and clean up any debris.
	Report any missing items or broken appliances to your lawyer immediately.
	Pack last-minute food and clothes to take with you.
	When you arrive at your new home, check the condition of your furniture and personal items and notify your mover of any damage before they leave.
	Unpack your "first minute box."
	Set up beds and settle in for the night.
Enjoy your new home.	

# REMEMBER TO NOTIFY

## UTILITIES & EXPENSES

	Hydro/Electricity
	Gas/Oil
	Water
	Home/Cell Phone
	Cable/Internet
	Alarm System Monitoring

## BUSINESSES & GOVERNMENT

	Banks
	Credit Cards
	CPP
	Driver's License
	Dry Cleaners

## PERSONAL CONTACTS

	Family		Friends
	Employers		Business Associates

## PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

	Accountant		Church
	Lawyers		Landscapers/Snow Removal
	Doctor		Dog Walker
	Dentist		Veterinarian
	Financial Planner		Income Tax Consultant
	Insurance Broker		Health and Sports Clubs
	Schools		Charities
	Nanny/childcare		Magazine and Newspaper Subscriptions
	Specialty Healthcare Providers		Monthly Memberships (Netflix, etc.)