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Packing Tips

TWO MEN AND A TRUCK® offers services for all your packing needs. But if you pack yourself, here are a few tips to make the move smoother.

- **Don't overpack boxes.** Remember, the heavier the item, the smaller the box.
- **Start packing several weeks in advance.** You won't become overwhelmed as moving day approaches if you start packing early.
- **Personally transport important items.** Move legal documents (stock certificates, wills), valuables (jewelry, stamp collections) and family medical records yourself.
- **Make arrangements for moving hazardous materials.** According to state law, movers cannot transport flammables such as gasoline, paint and thinner, bottled gases, ammunition and explosives, as well as corrosives, cleaning fluids or detergents.
- **Prevent small items from becoming lost.** Wrap knickknacks and other small items in colored tissue paper before placing them in a box.
- **Let children pack toys and games.** This helps them feel they are an important part of moving day. Children are also less apprehensive if they know where their favorite things are during the move.
- **Don't mix.** Avoid placing items from different rooms in the same box.
- **Tape boxes on the bottom.** Don't interlock flaps. Boxes must be closed and have flat tops so they can be easily stacked in the truck.
- **Label boxes on top and sides.** Mark the top and sides of boxes as they're packed. Movers can then see where to place boxes at a glance.
- **Pack dishes on edge.** Do not stack dishes flat. Pack each dish in clean (non-ink) paper or bubble wrap. Wrap cups and glasses in paper and cushion with dish towels, pot holders or paper. Pack dishes and glasses snugly, but not too tightly. Line the bottom of the box with crumpled newspaper, if dish pack and cell dividers are not used. Cushion voids where shifting can occur. Place heavier items at the bottom of the box.
- **Wrap lampshades in plain packing paper.** Avoid using newspaper – the ink can stain. Wrap lamps in towels, bubble wrap or paper. Do not place lamps in the same box as the lampshades.
- **Keep hardware with disassembled furniture.** When taking apart large tables or dresser mirrors, place hardware in a plastic bag and tape to the underside of the furniture or place in a drawer. Do not tape drawers shut. Tape can remove the finish when it's peeled off.
- **Pack a "Day of the Move" box.** Include items you'll need immediately, such as toilet paper, soap, towels, toothpaste and brushes, paper plates and towels, cups, utensils, snacks, clock radio, remote controls and a basic tool kit. This should be packed last on the truck, so it's available promptly at your new home.
- **Unpack breakables over a padded surface.** If you do drop an item it lands on a soft surface, minimizing the chance of breakage.

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