



**Moving Tips - Steps to Assure No Moving Nightmares!** - Organization and Preparation are the two keys to your successful move.

1. **Ask your realtor or interior designer for a recommendation.**
2. **Have a garage sale or make donations** - get rid of things you don't need.
3. **Use up refrigerated items and cleaning aids** - these will not make the move.
4. **Check homeowner insurance policy** - see if coverage includes "consumer moving policy".
5. **Get three moving estimates** - they must make a visit to your home.
6. **Prepare a list of questions** to ask each moving company.
7. **Make sure the moving company you select has a license.**
8. **Make sure the moving company is not a broker** and will not sub the job out.
9. **Make sure the moving company uses employees** and not day laborers or sub-contractors.
10. **Check with IRS or your accountant** - some of the expenses may be tax deductible.
11. **Take photos of your possessions** (items of value in greater detail) and store in a different place for safe keeping.
12. **Pack an overnight or two day bag** to take with you. Include medicines, children's school uniforms & personal items - anything you'll need in those first couple of days after the move.