

## What to Keep Unpacked

**Where to Start.** *Moving can be a time-consuming and stressful experience if you let yourself be overwhelmed by the job. Remember, though, having a successful move means taking care of the details, one by one. If you break the process down into steps and arrange your time accordingly, you can make it manageable. A start to the packing process is actually; what NOT to pack up.*

**Open First Box(s).** Whether you are going directly to your new home, staying with friends or hoteling, there are definitely items that you will wish that you kept aside on moving day and possibly a few more days.

Medications - It is of paramount importance to have easy access to prescription medications, contact lenses, glasses. Having at least a travel kit – band-aids, painkillers.

Personal Items- Electronic devices that are needed daily such as laptops, chargers and adapters.

Children's items – if you are moving with children, you need to keep them safe and happy. So, make sure you have enough of their favorite snacks and beverages, a change of clothes for the kids, and any other necessary items. It is also useful to pack some of their books, toys, portable games, pens and pencils, and stuffed animals to keep them occupied during the trip to your new home and in the time it takes to settle in. It may be some time until their things are unpacked. Of course, if you have a baby, you will need to bring along a bag of specialized baby items as well.

**Leave Behind.** Any keys, manuals or codes that may be needed for the new owners. It is always a good idea to keep in touch with your realtor about what you are leaving behind.

**Valuable To You.** **It is important to give extra consideration and thought for family heirlooms and or any other items.**

**Food and Utensils.** Whether you feel relieve, tired, anxious, our upset with your moving endeavor, you are going to need to eat. A few essentials may end up being very welcome at the end of a busy day. Plans to eat out may not be so appealing and having something nutritious and simple to eat a life saver. Paper plates, Paper towels, drinking containers etc. for a makeshift first-night meal.

**In Summary.** The list of things you may need as an open first box or take with you personally, can be quite large. You will likely begin this process many days or possibly weeks before hand. It can be very difficult to have to start rummaging around looking for important things from the boxes once they are packed.

**Hire a REALTOR®** Selling your home is a complex process that can be stressful and time-consuming. An experienced REALTOR® has the knowledge, skills, and connections to help you through the process every step of the way.

**Professional Experience:** With knowledge and training in marketing strategy, negotiation tactics, and the workings of the current real estate market, a Realtor will be able to guide you through the steps of the home-selling process and be able to explain exactly what to expect. S/he will make you aware of your rights and responsibilities, work with you to strategize the best moves according to your own goals, discuss financing options, and point you in the direction of other specialized professionals who will aid you in different stages of the process.

**Best Price:** Realtors have their fingers on the pulse of the current real estate market, and will know what comparable properties in your area are selling for. They have the resources and knowledge to establish the best asking price and to attract the highest selling price. With access to their company's professional marketing resources and connections, they will ensure potential buyers are immediately made aware of your home and market the property to sell as quickly as possible and for the most money.

**“Showcasing” Experience:** Your Realtor will know the importance of a property's first impression. S/he will have experienced first-hand, for example, the impact a property's “drive-up appeal” has on the rest of a potential Buyer's experience of your home. Your Realtor will be able to offer you tips and information on how to get your home in the best selling shape possible, in order to sell your property quickly and for top dollar.

**Access to Qualified Buyers:** Realtors save time and effort by dealing only with qualified buyers. They have access to a pool of pre-screened and pre-qualified buyers who are serious about buying a home in your neighbourhood. Realtors work hard to develop this base of qualified buyers which will become an invaluable resource for you.

**Negotiation Skills:** Realtors serve many functions, but perhaps the most important is their role as primary negotiator on your behalf. Your Realtor realizes your goal is to sell your home as quickly as possible, and for the most money possible, and will work closely with you during the negotiation process to facilitate this goal. Realtors bring to the process the knowledge

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