



Get Ready! Get Steady! GO!

Careful organisation and forward planning can minimise the stress of moving house. Use our moving checklist in conjunction with our who to notify checklist to guide you through leading up to moving day.

Remember to complete and return your Housing benefit form (if you have one) and provide completed budgeting sheet together with your references.

Tick: Date:

- ⇒ Start putting money to one side for your move.
- ⇒ If you're renting, notify your current landlord of your moving date and ensure you continue to link in with BCH keep them up to date with contact information.
- ⇒ Check your home insurance - make sure you have cover from the day you move in to your new home.
- ⇒ If you're not using professional removers, ask friends to help. Or find out about Discretionary Housing Payment.
- ⇒ Notify the relevant utility companies of your departure.
- ⇒ Start getting rid of possessions you no longer need. Decide which can be taken to a charity shop, sold at car boot sale, or offered to your friends.
- ⇒ Think about disconnection and reconnection of cookers washing machines – how much will it cost? Who will do it?
- ⇒ If you need new furniture or carpets – Start exploring local charities and funding available.
- ⇒ Start packing non-essential items such as books and non-seasonal clothes into boxes. Ask at your local shop etc for unwanted boxes.
- ⇒ De-register from your doctor, dentist and optician if you're moving out of the area.
- ⇒ Visit the post office and arrange for your post to be forwarded (you will be charged a fee for this service).
- ⇒ Notify your milkman and newspaper shop that you'll be moving and give them a date you want the service to stop.
- ⇒ If you have children or pets, arrange for someone to look after them during the move.
- ⇒ Make a list of everyone who should know about the move. Send out change of address cards.
- ⇒ Notify the bank of any changes to direct debits and standing orders.