

# TIPS FROM CANADA'S NUMBER ONE MOVER

## King's Transfer Van Lines

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### PREPARATION



1. Summer is peak moving season. If you are flexible with your dates, consider moving on other than the first and last days of the month
2. Call King's and specify the exact date you have decided to relocate and arrange for a visual survey so an estimate can be prepared
3. Tour your home before the King's representative arrives and determine what is to be moved and what can be discarded
4. If you plan on doing the packing yourself, start collecting boxes and packing materials
5. Take into account that self-packing is normally not insurable with the mover
6. Obtain written appraisals for antique or other high-value items
7. Compile a list of friends, contacts and companies who will need your new address
8. Make TO DO lists and set goals and deadlines
9. After your King's rep has seen everything to be moved, you will be provided with a written estimate as well as any other important information pertinent to your move
10. Remember if you are moving in colder weather, articles such as plants and foodstuffs should be not be shipped on King's moving van
11. Also, if your automobile is being shipped on King's moving van during the winter months, it should be free of snow and ice to eliminate the potential for damage to your furniture and other belongings

### PACKING



12. King's offers its clients world class packing service, and its claim's record is the best in the business, however if you decide to do your own packing, start packing early and avoid procrastination
13. Use sturdy boxes and ensure that they have closed tops so they can be stacked in the truck
14. Your King's rep will be pleased to arrange for the many types of boxes and paper that is available for a reasonable cost
15. Empty items from dressers, chests and desks. Blankets, towels and pillows may be left in drawers or packed in large cartons
16. Use generous amounts of packing paper so no box rattles
17. Books, CDs and canned goods should be packed in smaller containers while lighter items can be progressively packed in larger boxes
18. Never overload a box and whenever possible, do not use newsprint
19. Mark the top and sides of cartons with contents and destination location such as bedroom, kitchen or basement
20. Fragile, irreplaceable or high value items should be packed by King's or moved by the homeowner
21. Remove items from attics and crawl spaces
22. Electrical equipment and appliances should have trays and shelves removed and be disconnected prior to the move
23. Discuss the moving of your freezer and contents with your King's rep

24. Tape or tie utensils such as shovels, rakes, and brooms together in bundles
25. Arrangements should be made prior to moving day to have all fixtures, drapes and curtains taken down
26. Swing sets and collapsible sheds should be disassembled prior to moving day
27. Fragile items such as mirrors, glass tops and marble should be crated by King's specialists
28. Water beds and aquariums should be emptied as should the fuel from lawn mowers and other household appliances
29. If King's is looking after the packing, you will be provided with large wardrobe boxes which are ideal for hanging suits and dresses just as they would be hung in your closet
30. These containers are also ideal for transporting drapes and curtains

## MOVING DAY



31. King's van operator and team will be at your residence at the designated time ready to ensure your relocation is hassle free
32. The team leader or designate will do a walk-around with you to ensure that he understands what has to be done
33. This is an excellent time to advise of any articles that you may require first at the new home
34. King's relocation team will cover main corridors with runners to protect floors and carpets
35. Any item that is not to be moved should be identified so it is not moved in error
36. The van operator will identify the condition of goods to be moved and goods susceptible to damage will be padded for protection
37. You will be asked to confirm the new address, as

well as the delivery schedule

38. If possible, the driver and you should exchange cell numbers to facilitate any emergent issues
39. Once loading is complete, you and the driver will do a final walk-around to confirm everything has been taken

## OTHER CONSIDERATIONS



40. Arrange to provide King's relocation team with clear, direct and exclusive access to entrances, work areas and any required elevators that may be needed at either origin or destination
41. Proper packing is the most important thing that you (or your King's team) can do to save time, money and aggravation
42. Disassemble items that need to be taken apart and carefully save any hardware involved. Often, lost hardware is virtually impossible to replace, so be very careful where you save it
43. Computers and other electronic equipment should be disconnected and ready to move. CDs should also be removed and as a precaution all work and programs should be backed up
44. Do not pack your tool box as you may need some of your tools on move day
45. Do not pack your checkbook or banking cards. Things may come up unexpectedly that requires payment
46. If you are putting your goods into either temporary or long term storage, do not pack important papers like passports, driver's licenses, birth certificates, or other important documents
47. King's Transfer Van Lines have state-of-the-art storage facilities located throughout Canada
48. Any other questions, please contact your King's rep or visit us at [www.kingstransfer.com](http://www.kingstransfer.com)