

Moving Guide

Central Oregon



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COUNTDOWN TO MOVING DAY

8 Weeks Before Your Move

- ☐ **Inventory Sheets:** Create an inventory sheet of all which is to be moved
- ☐ **Research Moving Options:** You'll need to decide if yours is a do-it-yourself move or if you'll be using a moving company.
- ☐ **Request Moving Quote:** Solicit moving quotes from as many moving companies and movers as possible. There can be a large difference between rates and services within moving companies.
- ☐ **Discard Unnecessary Items:** Moving is a great time for ridding yourself of unnecessary items. Have a yard sale or donate unnecessary items to charity.
- ☐ **Packing Material:** Gather moving boxes and packing material for your move.
- ☐ **Contact Insurance Companies:** You'll need to contact your insurance agent to cancel/ transfer your insurance policy.

4 Weeks Before Your Move

- ☐ **Start Packing:** Begin packing all things destined for your new location.
- ☐ **Obtain Your Medical Record:** Contact your doctor, physician, dentist and other medical specialists who may currently be retaining any of your family's medical records. Obtain these records or make plans for them to be delivered to your new medical facilities if changing.
- ☐ **Note Food Inventory Levels:** Check your cupboards, refrigerator and freezer to use up as much of your perishable food as possible.
- ☐ **Small Engines:** Service small engines for your move by extracting gas and oil from the machines. This will reduce that chance to catch fire during your move.
- ☐ **Protect Jewelry and Valuables:** Transfer jewelry and valuables to a safety deposit box so they can not be lost or stolen during your move.
- ☐ **Borrowed and Rented Items:** Return items which you may have borrowed or rented. Collect items loaned to others.

COUNTDOWN TO MOVING DAY

1 Week Before Your Move

- ☐ **Your Change of Address:** Change your address with the USPS, DMV, Financial Institutions, Utilities, Government Offices, Health Care Service Providers, Memberships and Subscriptions.
- ☐ **Bank Accounts:** Transfer or close bank and financial accounts if changing banks. Make sure to have a money order for paying the moving company.
- ☐ **Service Automobiles:** If automobiles are to be driven long distance, you'll want to have them serviced so you have a trouble-free drive.
- ☐ **Cancel Services:** Notify any remaining service providers (newspapers, lawn services, etc.) of your move.
- ☐ **Travel Items:** Set aside all items you'll need while traveling. Make sure these are not packed on the moving truck.
- ☐ **Contact Utility Companies:** Set utility turnoff date, seek refunds and deposits and notify them of your new address.

Moving Day

- ☐ **Plan Your Itinerary:** Make plans to spend the entire day at the house or at least until the movers are on their way. Someone will need to be around to make decisions. Make plans for kids and pets to be at a sitters for the day.
- ☐ **Review the House:** Once the house is empty, check the entire house (closets, attic, basement, etc.) to ensure no items are left or no home issues exist.
- ☐ **Double Check With Your Mover:** Ensure the mover has the new property address and all of your most recent contact information should they have any questions during your move.
- ☐ **Vacate Your Home:** Make sure utilities are off, doors and windows are locked and notify your real estate agent you've left the property.
- ☐ **Questions To Ask:** Where is the garage door opener? Where are the keys to the house, mailbox and other lockable area? Did you retrieve all keys from neighbors and friends?



7 TIPS FOR YOUR MOVING EXPERIENCE

1. Use shredded paper to protect your belongings. This is a double tip. While packing you will find documents and paperwork that you no longer need, but also should not be throw in to the trash for security reasons. Shred your documents and then use them to cushion the fragile items that you want to keep in one piece!
2. Right size those boxes. Use uniform sized boxes, not too big and not too small, and you will be able to stack them easier and it makes loading and unloading go quicker. Large boxes are tempting to pack to the brim, but may be impossible to pick up once you have them loaded down.
3. Transparent Bags. For soft items, such as clothes and linens, use clear trash bags. You will be able to see what is inside and unpacking will be a breeze. For smaller items use quart and gallon zip lock bags. Throw those in the top of the box for the room that they will be unpacked.
4. Electronics and cable tip: How am I going to remember what gets plugged in to what when I get where I'm going? Take a photo of each electronic device's "map of wires". You may even want to label them with colored masking tape and write what goes to what. When you arrive at your destination, you now have a photo log of how to get your electronics plugged back in and online in no time.
5. Label those boxes. It takes just a few extra moments to catalog what is in the box, but it will save you hours when you are unpacking. Write down the name of the room you want this box to be unloaded, and then a brief description of what is in the box, i.e. pots, pans, and pancake flipper.
6. First things first. Pack an OPEN FIRST box for immediate use when you get to your next home. Include a hand towel, hand soap, Kleenex, toilet paper, tooth brushes, tooth paste, paper towels, scissors, knife, bottle opener, paper plates and cups, and a small first aid kit. To make sure that box is one of the first to enter the home, pack it on the truck last.
7. Have the local pizza or take-out delivery service on speed dial. You will be hungry and so will your generous friends who helped you make the move a success.

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TIPS FOR MOVING WITH CHILDREN

Moving is a good reason to get rid of things you don't want anymore, which will also make room for new things you might get in the future! Go through your all toys and games and group them into three piles:

First Pile: Things you want to take with you to the new home.

Second Pile: Things to toss out (broken toys and games with missing pieces).

Third Pile: Things you don't want but could be given away to other kids.

Ask: "What Else"!

Ask your parents what else can you do to help with all the sorting and packing that needs to be done. They will appreciate your help!

Mark Your Stuff as "Yours"!

Design your own personal "seal" for marking your boxes as YOUR property! As your belongings are packed, draw your "seal" on the outside of each box. Be creative! You can create your own work of art to mark your belongings.

Get Ready for Your First Night!

Your first night in your new home is very special. Be sure to have your favorite pajamas, your trust blanket or stuffed toy, or your favorite book packed away in your suitcase or backpack. This will be your very own piece that you'll personally be in charge of to take with you to your new place to get ready for your first night in your new home!

Don't Forget to Bring Some Entertainment!

Don't forget to take some things for you to do on the airplane or in the car on the way to the new home, such as books, video games, action figures, or crayons and paper.

TRAVEL CHECKLIST WHEN MOVING WITH PETS

- ☐ Veterinary records, certificates, and recent photos
- ☐ Medications
- ☐ Beds (pillows, towels, or other crate liners)
- ☐ Plastic bags and scoops for dogs
- ☐ Your pets' usual foods and plenty of water from the home you're leaving (changing their water source can be disorienting and upset their stomachs)
- ☐ Food and water bowls, a can opener, and resealable lids
- ☐ Leashes for cats and dogs
- ☐ Litter box for cats
- ☐ Cage covers for birds and rodents
- ☐ Paper towels for messes
- ☐ Toys, chew bones, and treats
- ☐ Provisions for the first day at the new home

Get Tags And Leashes For Your Pets If you have a dog or an indoor/outdoor cat, buy or create identification tags with your new address and phone number. Be sure your pets are wearing them during travel. While you're at it, pick up a cat leash - you'll need it if you're taking a long road trip or airplane flight.



MOVING RESOURCES

MOVING TRUCK RENTALS

Penske (888) 996.5415
pensketruckrental.com

U-Haul (800) 468.4285
uhaul.com

DONATION FACILITIES

Habitat for Humanity (541) 312.6709
ReStore
restorebend.org

Goodwill (800) 741.0186
goodwill.org

The Salvation Army (800) 958.7825
salvationarmyusa.org

STORAGE COMPANIES

Secure Storage (541) 389.8870
bendsecurestorage.com

North Empire Storage (541) 330.1111
northempirestorage.com

GARBAGE/RECYCLING

Bend Garbage & Recycling (541) 382.2263

Cascade Disposal (541) 382.6660

High Country Disposal (541) 548.4984

Prineville Disposal (541) 447.5208

Sun Country Disposal (541) 382.6660

Wilderness Garbage (541) 536.1194

Madras Sanitary (541) 475.2071



USPS CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Below is the website if you would like to change your address online or you can visit your local post office and they will provide you with the change of address packet.

<https://moversguide.usps.com>

Benefits you will receive when you change your address online are:

- Exclusive Mover Savings - Get instant access to valuable coupons
- Safe and Secure - Safeguard your information with ID verification
- Speed and Convenience - Save a trip to the post office
- Email Confirmation - Receive an immediate email confirmation of your Change of Address
- MyMove.com Local Information, Tools and Offers - Make your move complete with catalog forwarding services, neighborhood deals and more at MyMove.com

DMV CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Below is the website if you would like to change your address online or you can fill out the paperwork provided and mail back to DMV at:

Oregon Driver & Motor Vehicle Services

<https://www.oregon.gov/ODOT/DMV/pages/dv/chgaddress.aspx>



NOTIFICATION CHECKLIST

Utilities

- ☐ Electric
- ☐ NW Natural Gas
- ☐ Water District
- ☐ Sewer District
- ☐ Garbage Provider
- ☐ Cable/Satellite
- ☐ Fuel (Propane)
- ☐ Phone Services
- ☐ Internet

Financial Institutions

- ☐ Banks and Credit Unions
- ☐ Credit Card Companies
- ☐ Lenders
- ☐ Insurance Companies
- ☐ Retirement Plans
- ☐ Investments
- ☐ Online Bill Payer
- ☐ PayPal

Government Offices

- ☐ US Post Office
- ☐ Department of Motor Vehicles
- ☐ IRS
- ☐ Passport Office
- ☐ Veteran Affairs
- ☐ Unemployment Office

Service Providers

- ☐ Childcare
- ☐ Housecleaning Services
- ☐ Delivery Services
- ☐ Lawn Care Services
- ☐ Veterinarian
- ☐ Pool Service

Health

- ☐ Physician
- ☐ Pharmacies

Memberships

- ☐ Health Clubs
- ☐ Membership Clubs
- ☐ Community Groups
- ☐ Children's Extracurricular Activities

Subscriptions

- ☐ Newspapers
- ☐ Magazine
- ☐ Movie Subscriptions
- ☐ Book or Music Clubs

Other

- ☐ Friends and Family
- ☐ Employers

OREGON VOTERS REGISTRATION

You can change your address online or mail completed paperwork to county offices listed below.

Elections Offices Contacts:

To register to vote, update your registration (name, address, political party change), or check your registration status online please visit the Secretary of State's website:

Update Voter Registration Information

<https://sos.oregon.gov/voting/Pages/updatevoterregistration.aspx>

Register to Vote Online

<https://secure.sos.state.or.us/orestar/vr/register.do?lang=eng&source=SOS>



CENTRAL OREGON LOCAL SERVICES

ELECTRICITY

Central Electric Co-op	(541) 548.2144
Midstate Electric	(541) 536.2126
Pacific Power	(888) 221.7070
Underground Utilities Locator	(800) 332.2344 or 811

GAS

AmeriGas	(541) 548.7449
Cascade Natural Gas	(888) 522.1130
CoEnergy	(800) 510.5886
Ferrell Gas	(541) 382.1161
Suburban Propane	(800) 776.7263

WATER

Agate Water Systems	(541) 382.2855
Avion Water Company	(541) 382.5342
City of Bend	(541) 388.5515
City of Prineville	(541) 447.5627
City of Redmond	(541) 923.7765
City of Madras	(541) 475.2344
Laidlaw Water District	(541) 389.1255
City of La Pine	(541) 536.1432
Sunriver Utilities LLC	(541) 593.4197
Water Wonderland	(541) 593.2902
Deschutes Valley Water	(541) 475.3849
Crooked River Ranch Water Co.	(541) 923.1041

CENTRAL OREGON LOCAL SERVICES

TELEPHONE

AT&T	(800) 288.2020
TDS	(844) 628.6611
BendTel	(541) 389.4020
Cascade Telecommunications	(541) 388.5158
CenturyLink	(866) 963.6665

CABLE TV

TDS	(541) 382.5551
Crestview Cable	(800) 285.2330
Direct TV - Satellite Service	(888) 777.2454
Dish Network	(855) 754.7027
Para-Tech Satellite	(541) 389.1514

GARBAGE/RECYCLING

Republic Services - Bend	(541) 382.2263
Republic Services - Deschutes Recycling	(541) 388.1910
Republic Services - Prineville	(541) 447.5208
Republic Services - Redmond	(541) 548.4984
Cascade Disposal	(541) 382.6660
Madras Sanitary	(541) 475.2071
Crooked River Sanitary	(541) 548.1542
Wilderness Garbage	(541) 536.1194



CENTRAL OREGON LOCAL SERVICES

DMV

Bend	(541) 388.6322
Prineville	(541) 447.7855
Redmond	(541) 548.0140
Madras	(541) 475.3382

IRRIGATION DISTRICTS

Arnold Irrigation	(541) 382.7664
Central Oregon Irrigation	(541) 548.6047
Ochoco Irrigation	(541) 447.6449
Roats Water System	(541) 382.3029
Swalley Irrigation	(541) 388.0658
Tumalo Irrigation	(541) 382.3053
North Unit Irrigation	(541) 475.3625

HOSPITALS

Bend Surgery Center	(541) 318.0858
Pioneer Memorial Hospital Prineville	(541) 447.6254
St. Charles Medical Center Bend	(541) 382.4321
St. Charles Medical Center Redmond	(541) 548.8131
St. Charles Medical Center Madras	(541) 475.3882

Public Libraries

Bend	(541) 617.7050
La Pine	(541) 312.1090
Prineville	(541) 447.7978
Redmond	(541) 312.1050
Sisters	(541) 312.1070
Sunriver	(541) 312.1080
Madras	(541) 475.3351

CENTRAL OREGON LOCAL SERVICES

Public Schools/Colleges

Bend/La Pine School District	(541) 355.1000
Crook County School District	(541) 447.5664
Redmond School District	(541) 923.5437
Sisters School District	(541) 549.8521
Central Oregon Comm. College	(541) 383.7700
OSU - Cascades Campus	(541) 322.3100
Jefferson County School District	(541) 475.6192
Culver School District	(541) 546.2541

Chamber of Commerce

Bend	(541) 382.3221
La Pine	(541) 536.9771
Prineville	(541) 447.6304
Redmond	(541) 923.5191
Sisters	(541) 549.0251
Sunriver	(541) 593.8149
Madras	(541) 475.2350

City Government

City of Bend	(541) 388.5505
City of La Pine	(541) 536.1432
City of Prineville	(541) 447.5627
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