

Bonus: Commonly Forgotten Tasks

Even the most organized mover can miss a detail or two. Here are a few things people often forget in the final days – and how to stay ahead of them:

- Empty the freezer**
Use up frozen foods or offer them to neighbors. A defrosted freezer on moving day is no fun.
- Return borrowed items**
Drop off library books, tools, or anything borrowed from neighbors or friends before you forget.
- Pick up dry cleaning**
That “I’ll grab it tomorrow” mindset often leads to a scramble. Pick it up a few days early.
- Cancel or transfer memberships**
Think gym, yoga studio, CSA boxes, or local clubs – some require 30 days’ notice.
- Redirect prescriptions**
Contact your pharmacy to reroute any recurring medications to your new address.
- Collect spare keys**
Round up extras you gave to friends, dog walkers, or neighbors.
- Empty your safe deposit box**
If you’re switching banks, don’t leave valuables behind.
- Take out the trash**
The last thing you want is to leave behind a stinky surprise – especially in summer.