## Planning Checklist: Three Weeks until Moving Day

### More than 14 days before moving

- □ Get boxes and moving supplies.
- □ Arrange phone service at your new home.
- □ Take unwanted items to charity and/or dump.
- □ Set up mail-forward with <u>Canada Post</u>
- Dispose of household chemicals properly *(old paint, caustic cleaners, etc.)*. Take these to the local Toxic Waste Centre.
- □ Arrange the return of any cable TV equipment.

### **Complete necessary change of address forms: If necessary, do the following:**

- Drivers' license, Health cards, Insurance
- □ Make travel arrangements and reservations.
- Employer, Doctor, Dentist
- □ Arrange transfer of car insurance & license plates.
- □ Magazine subscriptions and other mailings
- □ Notify kids' schools, transfer records.
- Memberships, insurance
- □ Register at new school.
- Bank accounts, credit cards, and tax office (<u>Canada Customs and Revenue Agency</u>)
- □ Get copies of medical and dental records; if you have pets, get copies of veterinary records.

### 8 to 14 days before moving

- □ Return borrowed items.
- □ Arrange connection of utilities at new place.
- □ Retrieve loaned items
- □ Arrange disconnection of utilities at old place.
- □ Arrange for major appliances to be moved.
- Dispose of all flammable materials.



## 2 to 7 days before moving

- Determine what you can bring with you if travelling by car, plane, train, or bus.
- Pack a suitcase with the clothes and toiletries that you'll need the first day in your new home.
- Prepare "installed items" that you're bringing (TV antenna or shelves\*).

Pack a special box with other essentials you'll need for the first few days and marks this box "Do Not Move".

# The day before moving

□ Take down curtains and curtain rods.

Pack your personal belongings, except your alarm clock, necessary clothes, jewellery and bedding.

# Moving day

- □ Keep paperwork accessible.
- □ Collect all keys; keep them in a safe place.
- □ Strip and dismantle beds.
- Clean premises that you are leaving, inspect with the landlord.
- □ Final walk-through: check all closets and cabinets
- □ If using a moving company, confirm the new address and delivery time with the driver.
- □ If using a moving company, walk about with supervisor and sign inventory forms.
- □ Know how to reach your new landlord or superintendent.

**\*Note:** Ensure your lease permits the items that you plan to install in a new place. Some leases may not permit the installation of shelving screwed into walls or TV antennas. Be sure to give proper notice; see the Provincial Fact Sheets for information on the notice required.

