

STORAGE CHECKLIST

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Planning to change your address? Whether you're in need of a short-term storage fix during the unboxing chaos or seeking a lifelong remedy for your clutter, leasing a storage space emerges as the ideal choice for individuals making the big move to a new abode.

3 WEEKS BEFORE

RESEARCH STORAGE RESTRICTIONS

First, be sure to do your homework on what can and can't be stored inside your storage unit. The storage facility should provide you with a list of restricted items, but in case they don't, make sure to ask for all rules and regulations. A few examples of what most likely can't be stored inside your storage unit include dangerous items, such as gasoline, fertilizers, paint, chemicals, fireworks, explosives, narcotics and propane tanks. Tip: if it's flammable, it probably can't be placed inside a storage unit. Other no-no items include perishable food, medicine and plants.

FIND YOUR MOTIVATION

Let's be real: Tackling decluttering can stir up a whirlwind of emotions, especially if it's your first rodeo. Don't be shy about seeking a little motivation or inspiration to gear up for the task. Just envision the sheer delight of trimming the excess, saving and maybe even making money, and embarking on a fresh start in your new space. You'll be amazed at the liberating sensation of bidding adieu to things that no longer hold meaning in your life or your home.

COMMENCE WITH THE LESSER-USED SPACES

What's the pre-move decluttering target? Well, basically everything! But hold up – don't let overwhelm take over. Dip your toes into the decluttering waters by kickstarting the process in rooms and zones that don't frequent your daily life. Maija offers a word of caution: "Memorabilia should not be your starting point." Opt for rooms that aren't in constant use; this grants you the time to sift through all the odds and ends, leading to shedding off a substantial portion, somewhere between half and three-fourths.

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2 WEEKS BEFORE

CHOOSE THE CONTENTS FOR STORAGE

Moving forward, contemplate whether each item warrants a place in storage before committing. Why, you ask? Because the more you store, the larger the storage space required, and naturally, the bigger the space, the heavier the cost. To keep your expenses in check, give careful thought to each possession before stashing it away. If it lacks sentimental value, usefulness, or worth, consider donating or selling it as an alternative.

COMPILE AN INVENTORY OF ALL ITEMS:

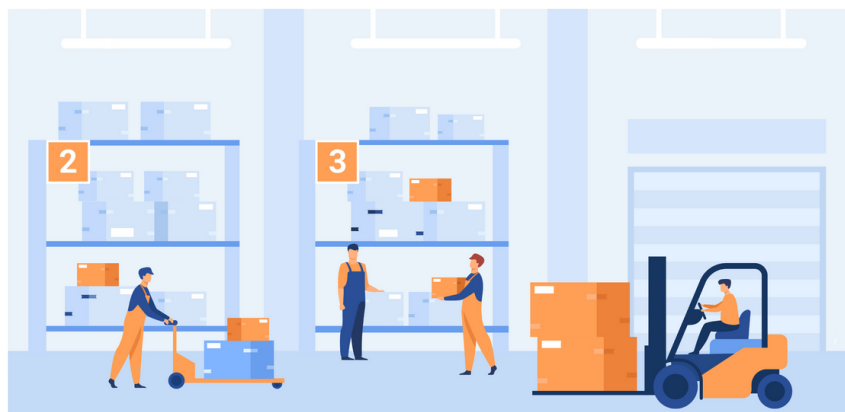
In the midst of the whirlwind of moving, it's all too easy to forget what you've stashed. Hence, prior to packing your belongings, be sure to compile a comprehensive inventory of everything earmarked for storage.

SECURE YOUR MOVING INTO STORAGE DATE & VAULT:

Either give us a quick call and you'll have your fast, free and accurate quote in no time! Smart Penny Moving **only charges 125\$/month** and you get the advantage of everything being taken from your place, placed professionally and safely into your personal and private storage vault, and then taken back to you when you need. If you need to visit your vault sometimes and take anything you will be assisted by 2 of our movers. **Our storage is 24h-monitored and climate-controlled.**

CONSIDER PACKING OPTIONS:

If you wish to spare yourself all the stress of **packing** you can get it done **professionally** by Smart Penny Moving. Ask your move coordinator about the procedure and pricing.



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A FEW DAYS BEFORE

TRANSPARENT PLASTIC BINS & LABELLED BOXES:

Going to commence the packing process by yourself? If feasible, consider placing your belongings in airtight, transparent plastic bins. This approach allows you to spot the contents without fuss when you visit the storage unit. If using boxes, label them clearly. Rather than marking a box as "kitchen items," be specific, such as "pots, pans, and utensils."

PREPARE APPLIANCES

Putting small kitchen appliances in storage? We recommend wrapping them (and the cords) in bubble wrap or foam to prevent them from breaking. Also, make sure to thoroughly clean the appliances and secure any loose parts with rope or tape.

THOROUGHLY CLEAN AND PREPARE POSSESSIONS:

Few things are worse than retrieving an item from storage only to have it permeate your space with a musty, damp aroma. Prevent this by diligently cleaning all items before they enter the storage unit. We recommend wiping surfaces with an all-purpose cleaner, vacuuming cushions on sofas and chairs, and sanitizing appliances with disinfectant wipes. Apply protective spray on furniture and leather goods. Mattresses should be placed in a special mattress storage bag - **Smart Penny Moving provides this for only 10\$.**

TIME TO RELAX A LITTLE

You've reached the point in our guide where you can finally step back, take a breath and simply wait for the experienced movers from Smart Penny Moving to take it from here.



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F.A.Q

What happens to the large items I need to store?

When moving your valuables into your personal vault at Smart Penny Moving, you don't need to worry about disassembling or reassembling your furniture because that is always included in our services.

How will my belongings be placed into storage?

We will place them in the most strategic way possible, like in a game of Tetris, in order to make the most out of the space available. Naturally, all large and heavy items will be placed at the very bottom. Items that can be put vertically will be placed so. We also consider which items you're going to need more often. For instance, if you're planning to store seasonal clothing, we will be placing these items in an easy-to-reach spot near the door.

Is there a required length of time I have to rent a unit?

No, you may come and go as you please, so to speak. At Smart Penny Moving we don't force you into any commitment, that's why we prorate every half-month.

What kind of customer service does the storage facility offer?

At Smart Penny Moving we value the peace of mind and most of all, safety, of our beloved customers. Customer support is always at your service, if you need to schedule a visit to your vault and your move coordinator is always ready to give you a great deal if you decide to move out.