

# End Of The Semester Moving Can Be Made Easy

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Women's Editor

Most students find change a stimulus, but often leaving familiar surroundings bring mixed emotions for the college student. There is the challenge of change, the fun of making new friends and excitement of a new home or apartment. For graduating seniors moving may mean a new job in a different city.

With the challenge and excitement of change there is nothing like the task of moving and the problem of logistics to bring one back to earth. There are basics that apply to moving regardless

of the distance or quantity. There are a few items that make moving easier and less confusing upon arrival in the new nest. These are heavy masking tape, felt tip pen or magic marker, cardboard boxes, baggies, rope, heavy-duty garbage bags and newspaper.

Cardboard boxes are the standard moving aid. These can be gathered from the corner grocery, supermarket or store. But remember especially in a college town, boxes may become scarce.

Local liquor stores are a treasure chest for boxes, labeled for the flavor of your choice, that

are designed to carry large quantities safely. But a word of warning, when unloading one might be met with a few raised eyebrows, or if you fancy yourself to be a swinger, it might be an easy to read signal.

Check the sides and bottom of the boxes to see how sturdy they

are. This is where the masking tape comes in handy. Tape along the center fold of the bottom and for extra strength run the tape down one side across the bottom and up the other side. This may seem like extra work, but there is nothing like the nauseating feeling of the bottom of a box

splitting open and the contents crashing to the ground as you carry it to the car.

All college students have mountains of books, but many times the spines are broken due to improper packing. They should be packed flat on their side, with wadded newspaper to fill in the spaces. Books can easily break fragile items packed with them. Books are very heavy in quantity, so use cartons that aren't too large. Remember you will have to carry them when loading and unloading and you don't want to spend the first night in your new surroundings with an aching back.

Wrap all breakable items separately. Pack in heavy cardboard boxes. Nest cups and bowls, stand dishes, plates, saucers and platters on edge. Instead of using newspaper to fill in the "air pockets" use dish towels or washcloths or handtowels. This keeps breakables from chipping and eliminates the need for a separate box for linens.

Tightly packed boxes stack much easier than do loosely packed boxes. Avoid over packing or under packing. Try to stay under 50 pounds per carton.

Label all boxes with a general description of the contents and what room of the house it belongs.

It is less time consuming to move one room at a time. If you start in the kitchen here are a few tips for conserving energy and making the most of all space.

\*When packing flatware and utensils, if you have the small boxes such as pencil boxes put them into the boxes then stack them into pots or pans. Measuring cups and spoons receive the same treatment. Stew pots or large roasters can hold an entire place setting of flatware and can be stacked into large cardboard boxes.

\*Canister sets can present problems if the lids are not secure. Empty sugar and flour into plastic baggies and seal with ties. Then put back into canisters.

In the living room there will be many small nick-nacks, pictures and wall hangings, and possibly mirrors that need special treatment.

\*For pictures and mirrors cut cardboard slabs to fit the surface front and back. Bind with tape and tie together. Small pictures can be wrapped and packed in cartons with bedding and clothing, if they are heavily padded, top and bottom. Remember that broken glass can damage pictures, so be especially careful of anything you value highly. Mark all mirrors, glass and tabletops with the magic marker, "glass" so you won't put them under heavy items.

\*For table and chairs, remove legs if possible. If not, load tables

on their top surface, legs up, taking care to protect their finish with blankets or padding.

\*For nick-nacks, small bottles, ash trays and figurines wrap in towels or pillow cases and pack in smaller boxes. The fewer in a box or carton the better and be sure to pack them tightly to avoid possible chipping.

\*Area rugs and pillows can be useful in packing. Pillows are used for padding between large items. Area rugs can be used as pads for table tops or chairs.

In the bedroom, clothes are the major moving items. Wardrobe boxes can be purchased at U-Haul Trailer stations. These are usually low cost and are reusable. You may prefer to use a hanging rack in the back seat of the car, but remember to leave an opening so you can see rear or passing traffic.

\*When packing clothes be aware of the space available to you, such as putting undershirts and socks in the shoes. Coat pockets are excellent places for items such as rollers. Also larger rollers can be put into the bottom of garment bags.

\*All beauty aids, medicine and bathroom supplies can be carried in an overnight case. All medicine should be placed in a separate box clearly marked for safety sake.

For the bathroom, by using towels and sheets for padding there shouldn't be too many linens to pack. By this time you should be almost out of boxes, so plastic garbage bags can be used. Place sheets, towels in the bags and tie the end.

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