

YOUR ESSENTIAL GUIDE TO MOVING IN THE WINTER

Moving during winter might sound challenging, but with a few helpful tips, you can make your transition as smooth and stress-free as possible. Winter moves require extra preparation to tackle cold weather, icy roads, and potential snowfall. Follow this guide to stay ahead of any seasonal surprises and make your winter move a breeze.

1. PREPARE AHEAD OF TIME

STAY WEATHER-WISE

Keep an eye on the weather forecast leading up to your moving day. If snow or ice storms are expected, contact your moving company to discuss any necessary changes to your schedule.

CLEAR WALKWAYS AND DRIVEWAYS

Make sure all outdoor paths are shoveled, cleared, and salted. This preparation will ensure safe access for the movers and prevent delays or extra charges.

PLAN FOR PETS AND KIDS

Moving can be overwhelming for pets and children. Arrange for them to stay with friends, family, or a pet daycare to keep them safe and out of the way on the big day.

CHECK NEIGHBORHOOD RULES

If you live in a gated community or have homeowners' association rules, verify any restrictions regarding moving trucks ahead of time to avoid complications.

TURN ON UTILITIES IN ADVANCE

Make sure the heat and electricity are on at your new home before moving day. Unpacking in a warm, well-lit space will make your arrival much more comfortable.



2. PREPARE FOR MOVING DAY

PROTECT YOUR FLOORS

Winter weather can lead to muddy, slushy floors. Lay down protective coverings to avoid tracking snow, dirt, or water inside.

DRESS IN LAYERS

Moving involves both indoor and outdoor work, so wear layered clothing that you can easily adjust based on temperature changes.

HAVE EXTRA SALT ON HAND

Salt your walkways and driveways frequently to keep them clear of ice and snow buildup. This helps keep you, your movers, and your belongings safe from slipping or damage.

3. UNPACK SMART: HANDLE WITH CARE

Cold temperatures can impact the functionality of some appliances and electronics. To avoid any issues, wait until certain items reach room temperature before using them:

- **Washing Machines:** Allow time for any remaining moisture to thaw to avoid damage.
- **Grandfather Clocks:** Give these delicate items time to adjust to the indoor temperature.
- **Waterbeds and Electronics:** Cold can make components brittle, so handle these items carefully once they've warmed up.



4. PREPARE AHEAD OF TIME

Winter weather can be unpredictable, so remain flexible with your plans. Sometimes the best approach is a cautious one, especially when snow and ice are involved. Safety should be the top priority for you and your movers.

NEED HELP WITH YOUR WINTER MOVE?

If you're ready to plan your winter move, call Immediate Movers at **574-213-5203** or visit [our website](#) for a personalized quote and expert assistance. We're here to make sure your move goes smoothly—no matter the season!

