

# Moving In

## Application and Approval:

- Submit a rental application along with any required fees.
- Provide necessary documents for background and credit checks.
- Wait for approval from the property management or landlord.

## Lease Review:

- Carefully review and understand the lease agreement, including terms, rent amount, security deposit, and any special conditions.

## Security Deposit and Rent Payment:

- Pay the security deposit and the first month's rent before moving in.

## Rental Insurance:

- Consider purchasing rental insurance to protect your personal belongings.

## Utilities and Services:

- Set up utilities such as electricity, water, gas, and internet services in your name, if required.

## Move-In Inspection:

- Conduct a thorough move-in inspection with the property management or landlord to document the property's condition before you move in.

## Keys and Access:

- Obtain keys or access codes to the property.

## Address Change:

- Notify relevant entities of your address change, including the post office, banks, and any subscription services.

## Packing and Moving:

- Pack your belongings, hire movers or enlist help, and move into the new property on the agreed-upon date.

## Safety Measures:

- Test smoke detectors and carbon monoxide alarms.

## Initial Supplies:

- Stock up on essential supplies, such as cleaning products, toiletries, and basic kitchen items.

## Furniture and Decor:

- Arrange your furniture and decorate the property to make it feel like home.

## Address Updates:

- Update your address with various entities, including the DMV for your driver's license, voter registration, and with any service providers.

## Tenant Responsibilities:

- Familiarize yourself with your responsibilities as a tenant, such as regular rent payments, maintenance duties, and adhering to property rules.

## Emergency Contacts:

- Know how to contact the property management or landlord in case of emergencies or maintenance issues.

## Neighbors and Community:

- Introduce yourself to neighbors and become familiar with the local community and amenities.

## Regular Inspections and Communication:

- Maintain open communication with the property management or landlord throughout your tenancy.
- Be prepared for regular inspections or maintenance visits as per the lease agreement

Notes:



# Moving Out

## Notice to Vacate:

Provide your landlord or property management with the required notice to vacate, in accordance with your lease agreement or local laws.

## Lease Review:

Review your lease agreement to understand the notice period, move-out requirements, and any specific conditions for returning the property.

## Clean and Repair:

- Clean the property thoroughly, including floors, walls, appliances, and fixtures.
- Make any necessary repairs or replacements for any damage beyond normal wear and tear.

## Documentation:

Take photos or videos of the property's condition after cleaning and repairs as evidence of its condition when you left.

## Remove Personal Belongings

Pack and remove all personal belongings from the property.

## Utilities and Services:

Contact utility providers to schedule disconnection or transfer of services. Ensure all bills are paid.

## Carpets and Flooring:

- Clean or professionally steam clean carpets, if required by the lease.
- Patch any holes or damage to walls and surfaces.
- Repaint if necessary and as per the lease terms.

## Appliances:

- Clean and defrost the refrigerator and freezer.
  - Clean the oven, stove, and microwave.
- Bathroom and Kitchen:
- Clean and sanitize all bathroom and kitchen fixtures, including sinks, faucets, and countertops.

## Trash Removal:

Dispose of all trash and unwanted items properly.

## Keys and Access:

Return all keys, access cards, and garage door openers to the landlord or property management.

## Walkthrough with Landlord:

Schedule a final walkthrough with your landlord or property manager to review the property's condition.

## Forwarding Address:

Provide your landlord with your new address for the return of your security deposit and any future correspondence.

## Security Deposit:

Be aware of the timeline for receiving your security deposit refund. Discuss any deductions or concerns with your landlord.

## Official Notice:

Notify relevant entities of your address change, including the post office, banks, and any subscription services.

## Final Meter Readings:

Arrange for final meter readings with utility providers if required.

## Cleaning and Maintenance Supplies:

Dispose of or store cleaning and maintenance supplies responsibly.

## Tenant Responsibilities:

Fulfill any other obligations as outlined in your lease, such as returning key fobs or providing access codes.

## Follow-Up:

Confirm with your landlord or property management any outstanding matters or questions regarding the move-out process.