

More Packing Tips

- Designate one drawer of a dresser for sheets and towels so that you won't have to rummage through boxes for these essentials the first night in your new home.
- After you've thoroughly cleaned and dried the inside of your refrigerator, put a handful of fresh coffee, baking soda, or charcoal in a sock or nylon stocking and place it inside to keep the interior smelling fresh.
- Pack your current phone book to take with you. You may need to make calls to residents or businesses back in your former hometown.
- Pack heavy items in small boxes, light items in larger boxes.
- Make a note of your shipment registration number (found in the upper right-hand corner of your bill of lading) and keep it with you in case you need to call your mover with questions about your shipment.
- Place pictures in boxes between sheets and blankets to give them added protection.
- Plates and record albums should be packed on end vertically, rather than placed flat and stacked.

- **Pack a Trip Kit of essentials you may need upon arrival at your new home and move it yourself.**
- **Remove bulbs before packing your lamps.**
- **In addition to the room and contents, have children write their name and new address on the cartons from their rooms so they can become familiar with their new address before they get to their new home.**
- **Keep your pet calm and away from all the activity on moving day by arranging for a friend to watch your pet at their house.**