

Packing Guide

Packing - Learn How to?

It is common knowledge that most people do not enjoy packing, particularly if the house being packed up is large. Nobody however likes ones household goods to be damaged on route due to poor packing. It is critical to the success of the move that the contents of your home be packed correctly and protected whilst in transit. Good packing will reduce the chance of your household goods from being damaged.

If your budget does not allow you the privilege of a packing service, doing your own packing can save you a considerable amount of money. If you wish to pack up the contents of your home yourself you will need to know what materials you will need and also how to pack up each item safely and securely to prevent damage. This guide contains useful tips and information on what to pack, what not to pack and how to pack up many different items. For example, how you pack up your pots and pans will be very different from how you pack up your heirloom china. Keep in mind that you can purchase all moving supplies from any van line agent or moving supply company.

If you do not have the time to devote to packing and can afford a packing service, your van line agent will be able to pack your household goods along with your furniture. It is critical to book this service in advance and not on moving day. The van line agent will provide the packers and the packing materials and the content of your home will be professionally packed up usually on the day of moving or the day before. Remember, this is what these people do for a living and they have enormous knowledge of packing and know all the best techniques to protect your household contents.

You may also request that the van line agent do partial packing. Consider having your van line agent pack delicate items such as dishes, crystal, and other fragile pieces. You can reduce the risk of damage by letting the agent do the packing for these items while reducing your costs by doing the bulk of the packing job yourself.

Quick Tips:

- Limiting cartons, when possible, to a maximum weight of 50 pounds to make handling easier.
- Wrapping items carefully.
- Providing plenty of cushioning to absorb shock.
- Using sturdy cartons that close.
- Making sure cartons are firmly packed and do not rattle, bulge outward or bend inward.
- Not mixing items from different rooms in the same carton, when possible.