

INTERNATIONAL MOVING MADE EASY



Moving to a foreign land can be a dream-come-true. Whether you are starting a new job, looking for a fresh start, or simply setting out for adventure, the opportunities that go along with an international move are endless! However, the move itself can turn into a nightmare if you don't have the right people helping you along the way.



For those embarking on this adventure, Daryl Flood Relocation & Logistics offers the ultimate guide to help you with your international move. Daryl Flood Relocation & Logistics is a fully-licensed, bonded, and insured international moving company responsible for over 2,500 international moves a year. You can take confidence in the fact that the information below is backed by more than 25 years of experience in the international moving business.

YOUR INTERNATIONAL MOVING CHECKLIST

Make sure your passport is up-to-date



Don't wait until the last minute to get your passport. Typically, your application for a passport will be processed in about 6 weeks, but the process can be (and often is) delayed significantly. Do yourself a favor: get your passport taken care of as soon as possible.

Get to know your destination



Review your housing options. Find out if foreigners are able to purchase real estate in the country. If not, you need to learn about the area's rental market.

Educate yourself on the destination's culture, language, preferred cuisines, available accommodations, as well as the currency exchange rate.

Keep in mind the medical requirements for your move



Make sure to get any necessary immunizations well in advance. Talk to your doctor about your move, and make sure you are aware of the medical facilities available at your destination.

Know the things that you can't carry



Don't get stuck in customs. Make sure you review the customs restrictions for your destination. You need to know what you can and cannot bring into the country.

For example you can bring hard and semi-hard cheese into the USA, but not very soft and creamy ones.

YOUR CHECKLIST FOR PACKING

PACK LIGHT. Don't burden your move with unnecessary luggage. By packing light, you can avoid the following headaches:



Increased shipping costs

Complicated packing and expensive packing supplies

Larger space required to accommodate your things, hence higher rent payment.

The more you work on downsizing your luggage, the more you will save on time and money.



MAKE A LIST OF ALL OF THE IMPORTANT DOCUMENTS YOU NEED TO PACK

Save yourself from unnecessary headaches and even deportation from foreign lands. The documents below are among the most important for any international move.



PASSPORT AND VISA

The most necessary document for entry.



LEGAL DOCUMENTS

Carry your birth certificate, marriage license and divorce paper (if applicable). If you have children, child custody papers and adoption papers will also be essential to conducting a hassle-free move. In many countries, your driver's license will also be helpful.



MEDICAL AND INSURANCE DOCUMENTS

Bring all medical and dental records for you and your family, along with proper proof-of-insurance documents. You need to know in advance whether medical providers in your destination country accept your insurance and whether moving abroad will affect your insurance rates.



SCHOOL RECORDS

Take time before your journey begins to secure evidence of your education, or your child's school status.



EMPLOYMENT DOCUMENTS

Be sure to bring references from your current employer and apply for a visa or working permit if necessary.

PACKING

When you start putting things together you will discover that packing is best left to the professionals. If you decide you want to hire professional help, here is a checklist to help you choose the very contractor for your move.



EXPERIENCE

You can't trust just anyone on your big move. Choose a contractor with extensive experience.



COMMENTS & REVIEWS

Check previous customer reviews and comments the contractor has received.



BANG FOR YOUR BUCK

Check whether the contractor is giving you the facilities at a reasonable price.



EXPERT ADVICE

Wouldn't it be great if an expert was assigned to assist you at every stage of the moving process? Daryl Flood Relocation & Logistics provides specialized move coordinators for all of its customers.

Here's what you need to know before you start filling those boxes



PREPARE A MASTER LIST

Divide all of your items up into categories – such as kitchen, bedroom, living room, etc. – and list everything that you are moving within each of those categories. This might seem like an unnecessary step at first, but it's something you'll be glad you did when the time comes to start unpacking.



SECTION BY SECTION

Work your way through the house one room at a time, checking things off and taking your time to pack them properly. When you are confident that one room has been totally packed, you can then move on to the next.



DON'T STRESS THE BOXES

Cardboard boxes are great for packing, but remember not to put too much weight inside them. If the box fails, your belongings could be damaged or lost. Be sure each box is light enough for you to carry.



LABELS

Labeling is a must if you want to avoid wasting your time trying to find things while you get settled in a new country.



DON'T FORGET THE TAPE

Use good quality tapes to prevent boxes from opening.

A few things to keep in mind as moving day approaches



PLAN FOR YOUR HOME AND AUTO

If you are getting relocated permanently or for a long period of time, be sure to consider selling, renting or some other means of squaring away your home and vehicles.



TAKE CARE OF YOUR FINANCES

Check whether your current bank provides services in your destination. This is definitely something you'll want to know before moving day.



TIE-UP ANY "LOOSE ENDS"

Canceling your utilities strategically will guarantee that you have them while you still need them, but don't end up paying for them any longer than necessary. Don't forget to return any rentals you may have on loan, and pick up any clothes that might be at the cleaners.

ON THE DAY OF YOUR MOVE

When moving day finally arrives you will find yourself full of both anticipation and anxiety. But don't let all of the excitement cause you to forget important last-minute details.



KNOW YOUR SERVICES

If you have opted to hire a moving contractor then be sure you know what they are going to handle and what responsibilities will be left for you.



ASK FOR TRACKING INFORMATION

Have your tracking information handy at all times to be sure your belongings arrive safe and on time. Be sure you have contact information for your moving company in case something goes wrong en route to your new home.



CURRENCY EXCHANGE RATES

Check out the currency exchange rate of your destination country multiple times before you move. Exchange rates can change over night, and you want to be sure you have enough cash when you finally arrive.



Keeping tab on details like this will help you in eliminate the hassles associated with moving. Whether you are preparing for a short-term or permanent move, don't forget to focus on the adventure and have fun!