

litemovers

DELIVERS A MOVING EXPERIENCE



RESIDENTIAL

MOVING GUIDE

YOUR GUIDE TO A SMOOTH MOVE



Making your move

A licensed and insured local moving company, **litemovers** specializes in helping our customers with their small to medium sized moves, senior relocations, junk removal and disposal. We can also accommodate large moves upon request.

Since our inception in 2007, **litemovers** has continually perfected ways to transport our customers' precious belongings safely and securely to their final destinations. We have received hundreds of testimonials from customers over the years. In fact, the stellar service we provide our customers has earned us an A+ rating on Angie's List!

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Unlike most of our competitors, **litemovers** offers a one-hour minimum timeframe for our customers. This saves you money and gives us the flexibility to cater to your specific needs, whether it's help rearranging furniture so your floors can be refinished—or moving your belongings across town or across country.

litemovers services are ideal for people who need help with:

- Apartment moves
- Senior relocations
- Small to medium size moves
- Local moves
- Junk removal and disposal
- Delivery or pick up of furniture, antiques or large appliances
- Moving, assembly and disassembly of exercise equipment
- Apartment, garage, basement, and house clean outs
- Moving heavy, bulky items from one room to another
- Moving storage units
- Loading or unloading POD or storage units
- Loading your truck for your move

For a complete list of services, visit our website:

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Are You Prepared to Move?

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“Moving” may be a single word, but the act of moving contains many decisions followed by many individual tasks. You’re packing your life away in boxes, simplifying the belongings you’ll keep, and saying goodbye to a place you’ve called home. You may feel anxious because the preparation process can be overwhelming. That’s why we’ve developed this handy moving guide to help you better prepare for your move.

PREPARATION IS CRITICAL TO A SMOOTH MOVE

It’s a great idea to prepare a timeline and checklist at least one month in advance. This will help you avoid any last-minute potential problems. If possible, move on a weekday, when the roads are less congested and businesses are open, just in case you have any last-minute needs.

SCHEDULE YOUR MOVE AS EARLY AS POSSIBLE

Even if you don’t know how many boxes or pieces of furniture your move requires, you should still reach out to **litemovers** as early as possible to secure your preferred date. A safe bet would be three months in advance of your actual move date.

THE COST OF MOVING

litemovers will provide you with a detailed estimate that addresses the amount of time, equipment, and materials required for us to perform the job effectively. This allows you to understand how making changes in the size or scope of your move will affect the total cost.

Once we provide a quote, you will know exactly what the cost will be for your move.

litemovers will work with you to help find solutions to make your move more economical. For example, if you donate items and downsize more than expected, make us aware of it at least a week in advance because fewer items to move from your original quote could mean a smaller vehicle, fewer crew members, and a savings on your end.

“There is nothing more exciting than moving into your new home!”





5 Keys to Planning and Organizing Your Move

If you prepare properly, your moving day will be efficient and less stressful. This will even make settling into your new digs a joy! Here are a few tips to make your move a smooth one:

1. SET GOALS & DEADLINES

The hardest part about packing is getting started. Try to set realistic goals and deadlines so that you're not overwhelmed with significant projects days or weeks before your move-out date. We recommend that you consult with a professional organizer early on, or have a friend come over to help for a few hours. It's easier to gain momentum when you have help, especially if it's someone who isn't emotionally attached to your belongings.

2. COMMUNICATION IS KEY

If any of your furniture items need to be broken down and/or reassembled, or if the size of your move increases or decreases from the original plan, let us know in advance so we can avoid additional time or extra trips.

3. RIGHT-SIZE YOUR MOVE

Now would be the perfect time to right-size before you move. Think about selling or donating items that you no longer want. If you have gently-used furniture or other useful, well-preserved belongings with resale value, consider using consignment

stores, auction houses, or antique dealers. Other options are Amazon, eBay, and Craigslist—but keep in mind that logistics are involved, including shipping and/or meeting buyers. If you want to donate items, many charities and local non-profits offer free pick-up, which can easily be scheduled online or by phone. We've compiled a list of some local organizations on the back cover.

4. KNOW THE RULES OF THE MOVE

If you live in an apartment or condo, check with your building manager to see if there are any restrictions that involve moving companies. Some buildings have restrictions that limit the number of times per day a moving company can use the elevator and/or blocks of time when movers are not allowed to access the building. Many building managers require a copy of a moving company's insurance certificate prior to granting that company access to the building.

5. YOU'RE MOVING MORE THAN YOUR FURNITURE

Alert the post office about your change of address. Notify credit card companies, magazines, and other important agencies of your new location with a change of address card. Make sure you forward your mail at the post office, and contact all utility and cable companies to let them know the date by which you will no longer be financially responsible for payment. Arrange for children and pets to be cared for on moving day.



Packing and Moving Tips

Sure, proper packing is about getting everything to arrive safely from point A to point B, but it's also about being able to easily find everything you need once it's arrived. Some customers find that the best investment is to have the moving company pack some and/or everything, while others choose to pack it all themselves. Here are some ways to anticipate and cut down on packing-related problems:

- Always use the strongest boxes possible. **litemovers** offers clean, high-quality boxes at reasonable prices, or you can purchase them at Home Depot, Lowe's, Staples and U-Haul.
- **litemovers** prefers that you choose boxes instead of plastic totes or other types of transport items. Plastic totes can't be stacked edge-to-edge like moving boxes. They are more vulnerable to breaking, cracking and caving in when stacked on top of one another.
- Pack books in book boxes and fill any extra space at the top of the box with more crumpled paper before closing. The boxes should always have a firm top once closed. If the top feels like it might give way when you push down on it, reopen the box and add more paper.
- Seal all boxes with high-quality packing tape to ensure that your belongings arrive safely.
- Include labels on boxes with a description of the contents, as well as its final destination location.
- Make sure all entryways are clear so the movers can efficiently and safely navigate their way. Be sure to unplug all appliances, TVs and electronics, and disconnect gas and water lines.
- Ask **litemovers** about our insurance policy that will cover your belongings in the event of damage during the move. Please keep in mind that your coverage could be limited if you choose to pack yourself.
- Take pictures of your furniture and other valuable items so that you have proof should damage occur during the transition.
- Don't pack away items that you'll need the moment you arrive at your new destination. These include laptops, cell phones, chargers, medications and, of course, your keys. Put these items in the vehicle you are traveling in so you have instant access to them when needed.
- Be sure to alert **litemovers** about any valuable personal items that we will be moving.
- You can also transport items such as jewelry, computers and precious artwork in your vehicle. Moving companies are unable cover items like these against loss or damage.
- Make sure to check all rooms and closets before leaving so nothing is left behind.
- Turn off all lights, lock the doors and windows, and clean as much of your home as possible.

LIGHTEN YOUR LOAD AND SAVE.

HERE IS A LIST OF CHARITIES THAT WILL PICK UP YOUR DONATIONS. DON'T FORGET TO ASK FOR A RECEIPT—MANY DONATIONS ARE TAX DEDUCTIBLE.

Habitat for Humanity of Philadelphia

www.habitatphiladelphia.org
215.739.9300

The Purple Heart

www.purpleheartpickup.org
1.800.338.1448

Vietnam Veterans of America

www.pickupplease.org
800.775.8387

Impact

www.impactthrift.org/donate
215.957.6131

THRIFT STORES AND CONSIGNMENT SHOPS

Bryn Mawr Hospital Thrift Shop

804 County Line Road, Bryn Mawr PA
610.525.4888

Goodwill Stores

700 Nutt Rd, Phoenixville PA
610.917.0095

766 E. Lancaster Ave, Berwyn PA
610.644.2533

235 Lancaster Ave, Frazer PA
610.647.2740

Buckwalter Rd, Royersford PA
610.948.4067

The Neighborhood League

191 E. Lancaster Avenue, Wayne PA
610.688.8352

Resellers Consignment

480 Lancaster Avenue, Malvern PA
610.647.1000

The Trading Post

1536 E. Lancaster Avenue, Paoli PA
610.644.6122

Twice as Nice

250 Haverford Ave, Narberth PA
610.667.3005

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