BED BATH & BEYOND

YOUR MOVE

PACKING ESSENTIALS

All the supplies you need to pack your entire house properly.

- ○ **Boxes.** Purchase clean, dry cardboard boxes in a variety of sizes if your moving company doesn't already provide them.
- ○ **Special containers.** Order wardrobe boxes, partitioned "dish pack" boxes and other containers designed for specific items.
- ○ **Bubble wrap.** Buy a large roll, and cut sheets for padding boxes and wrapping breakable items.
- ○ **Plastic storage bags.** Use gallon-size bags for grouping small items, and snack-size bags for rounding up screws and fasteners.
- ○ **Packing paper or plain newsprint.** Avoid using newspaper for stuffing and wrapping fragile items; the ink may stain some materials (and your hands).
- ○ **Bright tissue paper.** Use it to wrap small items that are easily lost or may be mistaken for trash.
- ○ **White tissue paper.** Use it for stuffing and wrapping lampshades; packing paper is too stiff.
- ○ **Packing tape.** Buy multiple rolls, and at least one dispenser for each person who will help you pack.
- ○ **Labels.** Mark each box with its contents (except for valuables) and the room where it belongs.
- ○ **Permanent markers.** Choose thick-tipped markers for strong, clear labeling.
- ○ **Small colored stickers.** Use them for labeling electronics cords, color-coding boxes and more.
- ○ **Trash bags.** Corral throw pillows and stuffed animals inside bags, and label them like boxes so they're not mistaken for trash.
- ○ **Box cutters.** Half-empty boxes don't stack properly; trim boxes to fit their contents.
- ○ **Tools.** You'll need an assortment of screwdrivers, wrenches and fasteners for disassembling and reassembling furniture.
- ○ **Plastic stretch wrap.** Wrap it around furniture to secure drawers, or use it to bundle curtain rods and other awkwardly shaped items.
- ○ **Mattress bags.** Purchase ones sized to fit your mattress; they're easiest to carry.
- ○ **Drop cloths or old sheets.** Drape them over furniture for protection.
- ○ **Quilted pads.** Wrap large furniture to protect it inside the truck.
- ○ **Measuring tape.** Measure odd-shaped items to find a box that fits.
- ○ **Notepad & pen.** Jot down directions, measurements and notes.

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