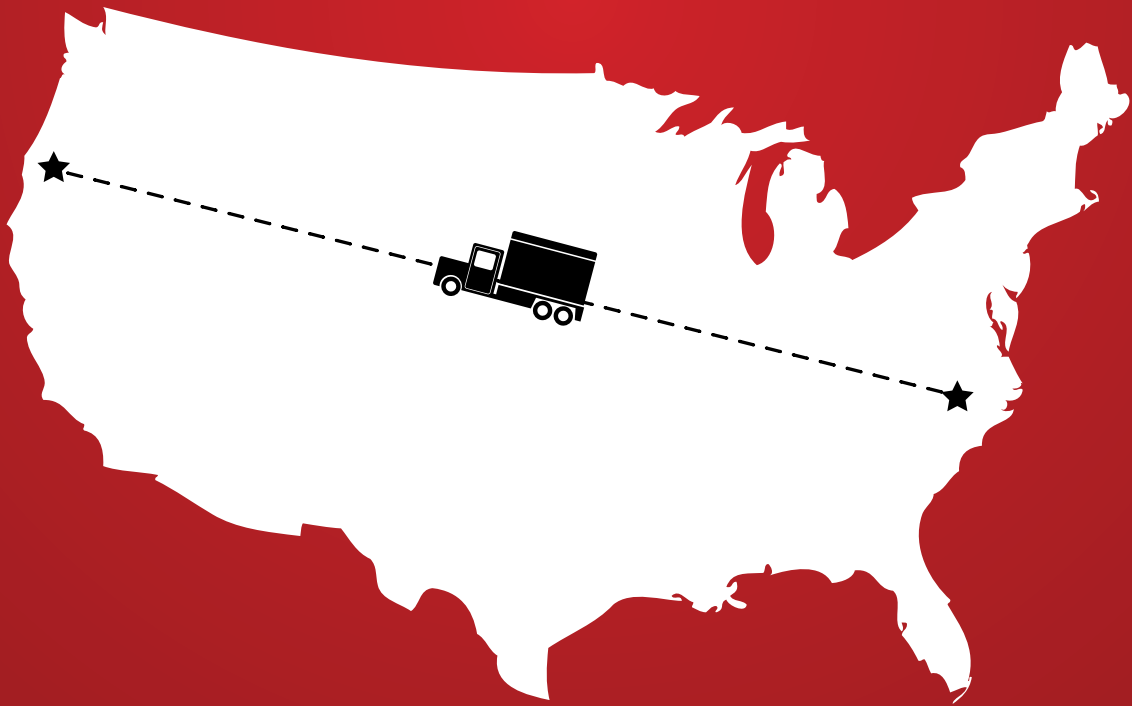


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STEPS TO A SUCCESSFUL LONG DISTANCE MOVE



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Needless to say, a long distance move can be a major source of stress when compared to a local move, particularly if proper advance planning is not made to facilitate smooth transitioning.

A long distance move basically means shifting from one country to another, one state to another, or moving more than 100 miles within a state. There are a number of moving companies in Ct (Connecticut) that have been providing efficient long distance moving services over the years. It is important to have a long distance moving guide that will help you to get things done in order to achieve a successful move.

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Hiring a Moving Company

Connecticut movers offer different kinds of services; the one you choose will greatly impact whether you will have a smooth transition or not. It is therefore important to do thorough research of a long distance moving company before hiring one.

A good place to start is the Better Business Bureau (BBB) website. Using the website's searchable database, you will find a list of moving companies within your location that have received accreditation from the BBB. You can also interview movers within your area, and ask them to show you their insurance proofs and to give you references of customers they have previously offered long distance moving services to.

You can then call up these references to inquire about the reliability of a particular moving company. You can also use co-worker and friend recommendations to choose a moving company.

Good, trustworthy reputations have a tendency to spread, so it shouldn't be hard to learn of the right company for you.

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Packing Belongings

A long distance move means more bumps in the road, which can potentially damage your belongings. Therefore, it is important to pack everything well and provide cushioning where possible.

You can get good moving supplies such as odd-shaped boxes from the mover of your choosing. Proper care should be particularly given when packing and moving fragile items such as family heirlooms and kitchenware.



Fragile items should be wrapped in bubble wrap and newspapers and preferably stored in furniture drawers or wardrobe boxes and not in cardboard boxes. To prevent them from shifting during the move, clothes or pieces of newspaper can be placed around the edges of the drawers to enhance their protection.

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Purging - Get Rid of Unnecessary Items

Purging is a great way to get rid of excess items, which in turn will save on your moving costs. To do this, you need to first make a list of all your belongings at least eight weeks in advance.

From the list, you can then decide which ones to keep, which ones to sell, donate, or give to friends and family. If you hold a yard sale and some items remain unsold, you can donate or give them away.

However, purging should be done thoughtfully and not hurriedly in order to clearly determine the monetary and sentimental value of an item before getting rid of it. **You do not want to regret getting rid of an item once you get to your new home.**

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Arrange for Storage Service

You will need a storage unit if you are moving into a smaller space, which may not fit all your belongings. Do not wait until you get to your destination to arrange for a storage unit rental space. Book one in advance in order to be certain of where and when you will deliver your excess items once you reach your new home.



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Drive, Rather Than Ship

It is advisable to drive rather than to ship your car when you are making a long distance move. This will not only cost less, but will also save you the trouble of having to reserve a shipping space months in advance without being certain of when the actual transportation will be made. If it is impossible for you to drive, choose a shipping company that does not ask for a deposit before offering their services.

Also, driving also creates the opportunity for a nice, relaxing road trip with your family as you make the move to your new location.

Moving can often be a stressful venture to take on, so taking some time to relax out on the open road is highly advisable.

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Contact a Utility Company

Before leaving your old home, contact the utility companies at least three to four weeks in advance to arrange for service shut-off. At the same time, you will also need to contact the utility companies at your new home to arrange for service turn-on for your electricity, gas and water on the arrival date.

Confirm the above services a week before your move. You will also need to notify the post office concerning the changes in your address. You can do so by filling out a form indicating the change of address either online, by phone, by mail, or in person.

You can fill out the form a few days before your departure date in order to still receive mail at your old home before you leave and to also give the post office customer care ample time to process your request.

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Contact Schools for Your Kids

If you have kids and you will be moving with them, you need to determine way in advance where they will be enrolled once you get to your new home. Once you have selected a school, you will need to contact both the school district of your children's new and old schools to file the necessary paperwork for registration and school record transfers.

This should be done a few months in advance of the move to ensure that your children will be immediately enrolled in their new schools once they open. If you're moving during summer break for the kids, this will allow you more time to complete these necessary tasks.

However, if it's any other time of year, be sure your kids will be enrolled immediately upon arrival.

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Be Emotionally Prepared

A long distance move involves leaving the familiar and having to learn or figure out a new lifestyle. You will be separating from your old home's friends and family, which can prove to be very distressing.

It is therefore important to think through every aspect of the move in order to be emotionally prepared for it. Take time to say goodbye to your close friends and family members before moving. Also, ensure you have enough time to settle in once you get to your new home.

Be sure to establish means of communication to stay in touch with your old friends and of course, your family.

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Key takeaways:

- Hire a reliable moving company in Connecticut.
- Pack all of your belongings well to minimize damage on the road.
- Get rid of unnecessary items.
- Arrange for a storage service for your excess items.
- If possible, drive rather than ship your car.
- Contact the utility companies in advance.
- Contact your children's old and new school districts.
- Be emotionally prepared for the move.

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