



Move Out Guide: Houses

Responsibly Manage Unwanted Items

Moving out can create a lot of waste, which can quickly get overwhelming. Learning ways to responsibly dispose of unwanted items, garbage, and recycling before moving day will help prevent illegal dumping and make moving day easy.

Here are 8 tips and tricks on how to move out and be environmentally conscious:



1. Start early.

If you plan to do a clean out so you have less to move, give yourself enough time to sort through and find responsible disposal options. Especially if you have items that could be donated, sold or you have larger items to get rid of.



2. Clean out your fridge responsibly.

Instead of throwing out old condiments, jars, or other unwanted food products, handle them responsibly.

- Start to use up items before you move so you have less to pack.
- Give items you don't want to friends or family to use up or donate to local food organizations.
- If the above options are not available, discard the left-over food product into the green bin and rinse out containers and place in the recycle bin.



3. Did you know that TV's aren't trash?

Not just your TV's, but your toasters, blenders, light fixtures, computers, or anything that plugs into a wall or runs off batteries do not belong in the garbage.

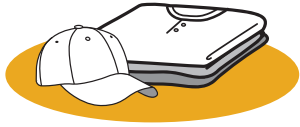
- If it still works, consider taking it to a local charity and donating it.
- Electronics can be recycled for free. Find locations for drop off by searching myrecyclopedia.ca.



4. Large bulky items are not collected with your household garbage collection and should not be abandoned at the curb.

- Online used marketplaces are a great resource to get rid of unwanted furniture.
- Donate to used goods stores that accept furniture; some may even offer pick-up.
- Items that are not suitable for resale can be taken to Hartland Landfill or find a garbage facility close to you using myrecyclopedia.ca. If you can't transport items yourself, ask friends with a vehicle for help or call a junk hauling company.





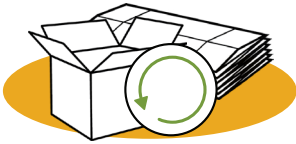
5. Donate your clothes!

That sweater you never wear anymore, could be someone's new favourite! Clothing donation bins and thrift stores are widespread across the region.



6. Handle chemicals with care.

Unwanted household chemicals, batteries, paint, or auto fluids CANNOT be thrown in the garbage. These materials can cause fires and need to be disposed of at designated collection locations. Use myrecyclopedia.ca to look up your item for drop-off locations.



7. Don't buy boxes, reuse them!

Instead of buying new boxes from the store, check local stores or online marketplaces for used boxes. You're likely to find them for free.



8. Why use paper when you can use t-shirts?

When packing up your fragile items, wrap them in t-shirts or linens to save money and reduce what you need to get rid of after the move.

