

# CORVALLIS/ALBANY MOVING GUIDE

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Whether your moving locally or considering a move to or from the Corvallis or Albany area, we hope that you will find our moving guide helpful in preparing for your move.

**Getting started:** The first place to start is by having a garage sale or donate items to Goodwill or a local charity. Now's the time to get rid of unwanted items. Whether you decide to move yourself or use a full service mover, the less items that you have, the easier and less expensive that your move will be. Don't forget to keep your receipts for tax purposes!



**Corvallis Locations:** 1) 1325 NW 9<sup>th</sup> st. 2) 2445 NW Kings Blvd  
**Albany:** 1605 Blvd SE [www.meetgoodwill.com](http://www.meetgoodwill.com)

### PACKING CONTAINERS



**Huge Selection of Boxes and Supplies:** A successful move starts with proper packing. If you plan on doing your own packing, our affiliate in Corvallis, Walnut Blvd. Self Storage (Penske Truck Rental) carries an excellent selection of affordable moving boxes and packing supplies: boxes, packing paper, mattress bags, tape, bubblewrap. They are located at 850 NE Walnut Blvd in Corvallis.



**Professional Packing Service:** We provide our full time, certified, pro-packers at affordable hourly rates. We can pack the entire house or just the fragiles: dishes, pictures, lamps and electronics. Our pro-packers are neat, organized and label everything properly. We arrive at your residence with all of the packing supplies. Keep in mind, our service is very flexible. You can come pick up boxes and supplies and pack at will, knowing the whole time that if you don't get finished, call us and we'll send out one or two staff to finish.

**Corvallis/Albany's Local and Statewide Mover:** Cross Town Movers specializes in local and statewide moving. Our professional crews are clean cut, courteous, but most importantly, very experienced at carefully relocating your belongings. We offer affordable hourly rates for local moves and can perform the whole move, just the big items or even one piece. We arrive at your door in the truck, fully equipped with all of the furniture pads, hand trucks, runners for carpets and tools to dis-assemble and re-assemble items like beds. We offer full service relocations to every city in the state of Oregon as well as the entire country.



### Bekins Interstate Since 1891:

Cross Town Movers is proud to be Corvallis/Albany, Salem, Eugene and the Central Oregon Coast's exclusive agent for Bekins Van lines. We offer professional relocation services to every city in the United States. For well over 100 years

now, Bekins has been thriving nationally, with over 250 quality agents nationwide. As the nation's oldest and most recognized national mover, Bekins leads the moving industry with programs like guaranteed price protection and "For All Its Worth Protection" for your goods in transit. Bekins has the strongest network of professional drivers in the industry, bar none. They are skilled at providing safe, efficient and personalized customer service. The Bekins company is recognized globally as an ISO certified carrier. This means that you can expect accurate times of arrival, constant communication and efficient claims handling.



**Penske Truck Rental:** Cross Town Moving Centers is affiliated with Corvallis and Albany's Penske Truck Rental Dealer. We offer the newest fleet of trucks for rent in the industry with four sizes to choose from.

**Corvallis:** Walnut Blvd Storage, 850 NE Walnut Blvd. 752-0256 **Albany:** 4 Season's Car Wash, 2085 Pacific Blvd. 791-3044



**Mobile Storage:** We load our weatherproof units right at your door! *We are the only moving company in the state with mobile storage!* Our mobile storage units are fully weatherproof, secure and have doors on both ends for easy access. We bring our storage units right to your door where our full time staff can professionally load your goods. We avoid the multiple handling that our competitors cannot! We can typically move you into our Mobile Storage twice as fast as Mini Storage or another moving company's storage because we eliminate the double handling of your goods! Less handling means less chance for damages and less hours billed. You lock the unit and keep the key then store at our secure facility.



**International Moving:** Bekins International is one of the world's largest International shippers. Cross Town Movers staff will expertly pack and load your Bekin's overseas container for safe transport. Bekins handles your customs paperwork and offers full value protection!

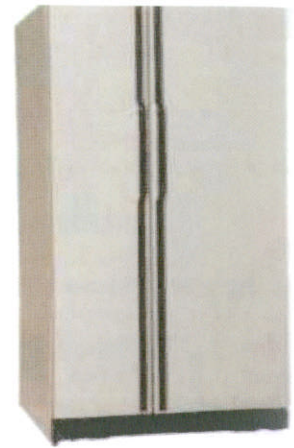


**THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE HELPFUL MOVING TIPS!**



**Small Appliances :** Pack small appliance in original container if possible, or in a 3.0 cu. ft. moving box. Do not use shredded paper as it can clog the appliance.

**Major appliances:** Check with the appliance dealer for any special moving instructions. Remove loose fittings and pack separately.



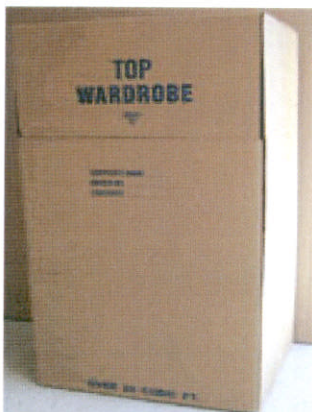
**Washers and dryers:** We are happy to un-hook and re-hook. If moving yourself, pad exterior well. Disconnect hoses and put them in the washer.  
**Refrigerators/freezers:** Defrost and dry interiors well. Have an ice chest ready to remove food items at the last minute.



**Books:** They're heavy, so use small, sturdy 1.5 cu. ft. book boxes. Pack books flat, alternating binding and filling empty spaces with packing paper.

**Dressers/bureaus:** Fill drawers with clothes, towels or linens.

**Lamps:** Tall floor lamps are safe to transfer as is with padding. Small table lamps should be wrapped into paper pads or bubble wrap and packed into a lamp carton or 4.5 cu. ft. carton.



**Clothes:** Dresses, coats, suits or anything hanging in your closet will travel best in a wardrobe box. Wardrobes can also be used seasonally as an extra closet for storage!

**Beds:** If you are moving yourself, dis-assemble the bed frame. Tie rails and cross piece together with tape. Be sure to mark on the tape to where the pieces fit together for reassembly. Use mattress bags to keep mattresses clean.

**Dishes:** Individually wrap each piece and place in a dish pack. Place saucer, plates and platters on edge. Do not stack flat!

Cups and bowls may be placed inside of each other and wrapped 3 or 4 to a bundle.

**Glasses and kitchenware:** Wrap each glass separately in paper or bubble wrap. Dish packs are perfect for glassware as well as dishes. Pots and pans can be stacked in a 3.0 or 4.5 carton.



**Mirror carton:** Wrap your mirrors or pictures into paper pads, then place into mirror cartons. Fill bottom, sides and top with packing paper to fill space. Mark fragile glass on the outside to prevent mis-handling.

**Stereo, compact discs:** Separately pack components in a well padded carton. Pack CDs upright in the cases and mark fragile.



**Radios and T.V.'s:** Box small T.V.'s upright in carton and pad well on sides. Plasma T. V.'s should always be packed in their original carton or a sturdy substitute and must remain upright. For older console size equipment, simply surround with furniture pads.



**Lawn Mower:** Drain fuel and oil before loading. Drop handle from Lawn Mower to save space.

**Tools and gardening equipment:** Drain hoses, coil and screw ends together to avoid leaks. Tie rakes and shovels in a bundle.

**Paint and flammables:** Don't move them! The same goes for other flammable such as alcohol, solvents, lighter fluid or greasy mops and rags. These can be dangerous items and must be disposed of prior to moving.



**Bicycles, tricycles and baby carriages:** Loosen handlebars and turn inward to save space. Clean and cover chains to protect other items from being snagged or soiled.



**Indoor plants:** Plants are delicate and must be handled with great care. If you're moving locally, they will usually survive the transfer safely in your car or if placed on the floor of the moving truck. If you are moving long distance, find a friend or family member to adopt your plants. Full Service movers will not transport plants and they usually will not survive in the back of your rental truck for days.

- Feel free to leave your dressers full of clothing, this will save on your amount of boxes. Make sure to unload all other furniture containing items other than clothing, i.e., desks, hutches, a coffee table with a drawer. The exception to the rule would be standard file cabinets, not laterals. These can typically be moved full, unless they are going upstairs.
- Prior to the move starting, have the tops of all your furniture items cleared off and ready to go, have clear walkways, and a good idea of where you want your furniture placed at your new residence. This will speed up your move.
- Be sure to have your boxes labeled and sealed. Label your boxes on the side of the box, not the top, and according to where you want them placed at your new residence. For example, label the boxes with a big #1 for bedroom #1, with an L for living room, an F for family room etc. Whether moving yourself or using Cross Town Mover's professional staff, we recommend putting your boxes into their correct rooms. This will save the time of handling things twice.
- Pack essentials, such as medicines, toiletries, important paperwork, and several days of clothing into separate boxes and place them in your car or as the last boxes on the truck. Also include things like your television remote control and telephone.

**Good luck with your relocation! Please let us know if we can help.**

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# A small sample of our most commonly used boxes from our showroom

 <p>A small brown cardboard box with a logo for 'CROSS-TOWN MOVERS' and contact information for Eugene, OR.</p>	<p><b>Small Carton</b> ( 1.5 cu/ft )</p> <p>16.75 x 12.5 x 12.5</p> <p><b>\$1.40</b></p>	 <p>A tall, narrow brown cardboard box labeled 'LAMP CARTON'.</p>	<p><b>Lamp Carton</b> ( 2.5 cu/ft )</p> <p>20 x 19.75 x 40</p> <p><b>\$6.30</b></p>
 <p>A medium-sized brown cardboard box with a logo for 'CROSS-TOWN MOVERS'.</p>	<p><b>Medium Carton (</b> <b>3.0 cu/ft )</b></p> <p>18 x 18 x 16</p> <p><b>\$2.40</b></p>	 <p>A tall brown cardboard box labeled 'TOP WARDROBE'.</p>	<p><b>Wardrobe Carton</b> ( 10 cu/ft )</p> <p>24 x 19.75 x 45</p> <p><b>\$12.65</b></p>
 <p>A large brown cardboard box with a logo for 'CROSS-TOWN MOVERS' and 'EXTRAS' written on the side.</p>	<p><b>Large Carton</b> ( 4.5 cu/ft )</p> <p>18 x 18 x 24</p> <p><b>\$3.00</b></p>	 <p>A brown cardboard box labeled 'FRAGILE DISH PACK' with upward-pointing arrows.</p>	<p><b>Dish Pack Carton</b> ( 5.0 cu/ft )</p> <p>17.75 x 17.75 x 28.9/16</p> <p><b>\$7.75.</b></p>
 <p>An X-large brown cardboard box with a shipping label on the side.</p>	<p><b>X-Large Carton (</b> <b>6.0 cu/ft )</b></p> <p>22 x 22 x 21.5</p> <p><b>\$4.45</b></p>	 <p>A large brown cardboard box labeled 'LARGE MIRROR-PAK FRAGILE HANDLE WITH CARE'.</p>	<p><b>Mirror Carton</b> <b>Large</b></p> <p>48 x 4.5 x 33</p> <p><b>\$12.20</b></p>
 <p>A small brown cardboard box labeled 'SMALL MIRROR-PAK FRAGILE HANDLE WITH CARE'.</p>	<p><b>Mirror Carton</b> <b>Small</b></p> <p>37.5/16 x 4.3/8 x 25.5/8</p> <p><b>\$12.20</b></p>	 <p>A stack of white packing paper.</p>	<p><b>Packing Paper</b></p> <p>27 x 34 sheets</p> <p><b>\$1.00/LB</b></p>

## Moving checklist

- Transfer your bank accounts.
- Take animals to vet for immunization, if necessary.
- Close and empty your safe-deposit box.
- Settle any bills with local businesses.
- Drain power equipment of oil and gas. Drain water hoses.
- Find new homes for plants that will not be moved.
- Confirm any travel reservations.
- Drain your waterbed.
- Defrost refrigerator and freezer, propping doors open.
- Let movers pack your belongings (unless it's a do-it-yourself move).
- Disconnect and prepare major appliances for move.
- Set aside anything that will travel in your car so it will not be loaded on the truck.
- Pack a box of items that will be needed first at the new house. Clearly mark this box "Load Last."
- Obtain cash or traveler's checks for the trip and to pay the movers.
- Confirm arrival time of your moving van/truck.
- If moving yourself, dismantle beds and other large furniture.

## Moving Day

- If using a mover, be sure someone is at the old house to answer questions.
- Note all utility meter readings.
- Read your bill of lading and inventory carefully before signing. Keep this paperwork in a safe place.