

## Moving House? Get the Professionals In!

Moving house can be a particularly stressful experience so bringing in the professionals can make the whole occasion a lot easier for yourself.

You should contact a number of removal companies to obtain quotes. You should do this as far in advance as you can once you know when you are moving in order to get as many quotes as you can and then to secure the services of the company you decide to use.

Always use a removal company who is a member of the British Association of Removers and get at least three quotes before deciding which one to use. Any reputable company will pay a trip to your property to assess your belongings before making a quote. The quote will usually be based on expected number of hours needed to complete the move, as well as extras, such as special containers needed, carpet laying, un/packing etc. Therefore you should take this opportunity to let the company know if there are any special services you require, or in fact any services that you do not require - unpacking at the other end etc.

Check to see if the quote is inclusive of VAT and includes some form of insurance covering damage to goods during transit. Check if the company offers a discount on a weekday and check the fine print in your moving insurance before entering into any agreement. Expect to be charged anything from 300 pounds upwards. Consider including a tip if you are satisfied when the removal is completed.

The key to a successful move when using a professional removal company is communication. The more information you give them before the day of your move, the better. Always inform the removal company of the amount of furniture you're moving, so it can choose an adequately sized truck and plan the number of journeys needed between your old and new home. Provide a rough guess of how many boxes the company needs to pack, so it can estimate how long it will take.

Give them the exact time you want the team to arrive and then be ready yourself. Provide clear instructions and directions to your new property, and arrange a parking space for the removal van in advance. Always tell the removal firm well in advance of pieces of furniture which won't go through the door make a plan of where the furniture needs to go in your new home, as well as labelling boxes as to which room they should be taken to.

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### About the Author

Guide-to-Moving helps you take the stress out of moving by offering advice on all you need to know ahead of your big move. For more information please visit <http://www.guide-to-moving.com>