

# HOMEMOVE – URBAN REMOVALISTS MELBOURNE

## Moving Tips To Save You Money

1. **Get a moving costs breakdown** - Ask for a full breakdown of moving costs and see if there are any services the moving company is providing that you can take care of yourself.
2. **Pack as much as you can.** This is probably the single most effective way to save money. Often, a full pack job can equal the cost of the moving job.
3. **Centralize all your items** - Try to pack all your items and place them in an easy to access location.
4. **Moving Boxes** - Boxes can be loaded with all the odds and ends, picture frames and other stuff you've gathered over the years. Remember that lighter boxes can be carried two or more at a time.
5. **Handle your own electronics** - Pack and move your smaller televisions and computers as these things require extra packing and protection.
6. **Organise your move** - Know where furniture is going to be placed in your destination. You may wish to draw up a floor plan of your new home and make sure that your furniture fits where you would like it to go.
7. **Clean the Clutter** - Ensure a clear path for the furniture movers to navigate effectively through your house and make sure the moving truck has plenty of room to park.
8. **Unplug everything and de-cable everything** - Disconnect washing machines, dryers, fridges and home entertainment units.
9. **Make sure you have payment ready for the removalist** - Getting cash out before hand will save you time at the end and will avoid credit card fees.
10. **Label everything** - If the removalists can see where everything is going they will spend less time asking you where to put things.
11. **Disassemble furniture** - Disassemble as much furniture as you can before the removalists arrive and be prepared to put it back together again at the other end. Take the feet off your couch , dismantle beds etc.
12. **Don't move what you don't love** - Consider how attached you are to large pieces of furniture that could be replaced inexpensively close to your new home. Garage sales, eBay and gifting to friends are all easy ways to get rid of unnecessary items.



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13. **Save money on moving boxes and packing materials** - Use a removalist who offers a box buy back service. Pack heavy items into small boxes so removalists can lift them. Use clothing, towels, linen and newspaper as packing material.
14. **Moving special items** - Let the moving company know beforehand about any large items such as pianos or running machines or fragile items that might require special packing.
15. **Do it yourself (or with your mates)** - Anything that can be moved in your own vehicle will reduce the time taken and the vehicle space required for a move. You can also pitch in and help the movers on the day.
16. **Access** - If you live on a busy main road ask your neighbours if you can reserve a parking space directly out the front. If you live in an apartment complex reserve the lift for your exclusive use during the move.
17. **Ask for advice** - You can ask for some advice about moving from removal companies. Be honest and communicative with your furniture movers, the more information they have the better prepared they will be on the day.

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