

GETTING READY TO MOVE OR STORE YOUR GOODS? BEFORE YOU DO, TAKE SOME TIME TO REVIEW YOUR POSSESSIONS AND EVALUATE YOUR OPTIONS:

- Working with a professional storage company gives you peace of mind that your valuables are being stored properly, as humidity, light, packing and many other factors can impact wear and tear on your possessions.
- The storage industry is quite competitive, and in some cases self-storage can cost as much or even more than working with professional storage companies. Professional storage companies can help ensure that you are using the space efficiently, so that you are not overpaying for space you're not using.
- A lot of different people use storage – it's not just for people with too much stuff! Clients range from members of the military who are deployed or move frequently to corporations with relocation programs to antique collectors.
- Many of our clients inherit goods from loved ones – we always recommend that they review the items in storage to see what they might be able to use or sell.
- Be sure to make the most of what you have in storage - how you choose to store your items can impact how they age. For example, making sure that storage is moth-free for safe storing of rugs or fur, or even the right temperature for storing fine wines.

TIPS & TRICKS

- ✔ Go through every room in your house to sort through what will move with you and what could be donated, sold or put into storage.
- ✔ Write a detailed list of all of the items in storage, and review the list once in a while as you may decide to sell or donate them.
- ✔ Have a garage sale or sell unwanted items online.
- ✔ Donate your unwanted clothing, furniture or other household goods to your favorite charities. Don't forget to secure receipts showing the value of the items for possible tax deductions.
- ✔ If you are packing yourself, get a head start by packing books, out of season clothing and decorative items in advance so you don't get overwhelmed at the last minute.



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Consumers should evaluate all of their options to see what is most cost effective for them and the best fit for storing their valuables. We recommend consulting the American Moving and Storage Association's ProMover website (<http://www.promover.org/>) to research and answer questions before making any decisions.

