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FIRST-NIGHT TIPS

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PREPARING FOR THE FIRST DAY/NIGHT

Planning is essential to a successful move. We suggest that you create two “first day” boxes. This will save you time and energy that would otherwise be spent on digging through boxes looking for first-day essentials.

BOX 1

Fill this box with things to help make your new home feel clean and “put together.”

- ❖ Cleaning Products: Just the basics (paper towels, sponge, all-purpose cleaner)
- ❖ Tools: Not the whole toolbox, just the essentials (hammer, wrench, screwdriver, nails)

BOX 2

Box one took care of your house, now box two is for you! Pack it with human necessities.

- ❖ Toilet Paper (two rolls)
- ❖ Medicine (medicine you take daily and over-the-counter drugs you may need, like ibuprofen)
- ❖ Adhesive Bandages (Moving is a contact sport.)
- ❖ Paper plates, cups, plastic cutlery and napkins. This will make the “traditional” first night home meal of take-out easy to clean up.

THINGS TO DO ON YOUR FIRST NIGHT

MEET YOUR NEW HOME

It’s time to really “meet” your house for the first time. Take this time to adjust to your new surroundings and enjoy the freedom of exploring your new house. Listen to the new sounds of your house, play with light switches, and if you feel a few pangs of sadness thinking about your old home, just know that it is completely normal.

TAKE PICTURES

Your house will most likely look far different on the day you move in than the day you leave. Make time to take pictures of it the first day. You and your family will enjoy comparing “now and then” pictures down the road. They also help you look at a room more objectively and can help you make decorating decisions in this new space.

RELAX

Before you hit the hay, take a nice, hot shower or draw yourself a bath. After cleaning and moving, a little “me time” just might be what you need. The warmth of the shower will relax you and will undoubtedly give you a feeling of settling nicely into your new home. Once you have met your home and begin to wind down from your first day, get to bed. Tomorrow starts another day of organizing and personalizing your new space.

*Should you have any questions or concerns, **at any stage of your move**, please call Merchants Moving & Storage Company at 262-631-5680.*