

# Checklist for Moving with Houseplants

## Pre-Move: 2-4 Weeks Before

1. **Inventory Plants:** List types, sizes, and needs. Decide what to move.
2. **Inspect for Pests:** Check and treat issues early.
3. **Check Regulations:** Research USDA rules for state borders; get certificates if needed.
4. **Prune/Repot:** Trim and switch to sturdy pots if necessary.
5. **Acclimate:** Reduce watering; simulate travel conditions.

## Packing: 1-2 Days Before

1. **Supplies:** Get boxes, wrap, bags, and supports.
2. **Water Wisely:** Hydrate lightly; drain excess.
3. **Secure:** Bag pots to contain soil; cushion with padding.
4. **Label:** Mark "Fragile: Live Plants" with orientation.
5. **Transport Plan:** Use personal vehicle or climate-controlled services.

## During Move

1. **Temperature Control:** Keep 50-80°F; avoid extremes.
2. **Airflow/Light:** Ventilate; provide indirect light.
3. **Handle Gently:** Secure to prevent shifting.

## Post-Move

1. **Unpack Quickly:** Inspect for damage.
2. **Rehydrate/Acclimate:** Water lightly; shade initially.
3. **Monitor Shock:** Watch for wilting; quarantine pests.
4. **Settle In:** Delay fertilizing; adjust to new environment.

## Tips

- For long distances, consider shipping or cuttings.
- Use eco-friendly materials.
- For large collections, consult professionals like Burnetts Moving Services.



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