



PREPARING TO MOVE OUT

Once you have decided to move out, there are important steps you must follow to ensure a smooth transition and protect your rights as a tenant.

Providing notice to move

- Review your tenancy agreement to confirm how much written notice is required.
- In most cases, the standard notice period is 30 days, but this may vary depending on your agreement.
- Provide notice as early as possible.
- The move-out date you provide determines when your notice takes effect, not the day you decide to move.

Notice to Move-Out Must

Your notice is only valid if it:

- Is in writing
- Is signed by the tenant giving notice
- Clearly states the date you will vacate the rental unit

Tip: Keep a copy of your notice (email or printed) for your records.

Transfer or Cancellation of Utilities

Contact utility providers (electricity, internet, gas, etc.) to:

- Transfer services to your new address or
- Cancel services effective on your move-out date
- This helps avoid service interruptions and extra charges.

Mail Forwarding

- Contact [Canada Post](#) to update your address.
- Arrange for mail forwarding to your new address to ensure you do not miss important documents.

Clean the Unit

- You are required to thoroughly clean the rental unit and leave it in the same condition as when you moved in (reasonable wear and tear excepted).
- The landlord will conduct a move-out inspection, similar to the move-in inspection, to check for damages.
- **If you want your full damage deposit returned, ensure:**
 - The unit is clean
 - No damage beyond normal wear and tear is present

Receiving Your Full Damage Deposit (With Interest)

You may be eligible to receive your full damage deposit back (plus interest) if:

- There is no outstanding rent or fees
- No damage has occurred beyond normal wear and tear
- The unit has been properly cleaned
- A move-out inspection has been completed



Important: Provide your landlord with a forwarding address in writing so the deposit can be returned.

Helpful Final Tips

- Take photos of the unit after cleaning
- Attend the move-out inspection if possible
- Keep copies of all emails, notices, and inspection reports

