Five Days To a Smooth Closing And Move

A day-by-day checklist of things to do during your final week in your old house.

Four Days Before ...

Schedule final utility meter readings for day of closing, including:

- Gas/fuel oil
- Electricity
- Water/sewer

In case the meter readers come while you're at the closing or working, arrange for a friend or relative to be home during the time you're out of the house.

Three Days Before ...

Go to the post office and arrange for mail to be forwarded to new address. Cancel newspaper subscriptions, cable TV service, telephone and garbage collection.

Two Davs Before ...

Talk to the title officer and your lawyer, to verify that all necessary paperwork will be ready for your closing.

The Day Before...

Pick up a written copy of your estimated closing costs from the closing officer, or have your agent do it – you're entitled to it by law. Check to make sure all fees, tax adjustments, and other charges are correct.

Gather all the documents you are expected to bring to the closing meeting, such as:

- Paid property tax receipts
- Property survey
- Copies of your mortgage and any other liens on the property.

Closing Day ...

Before you leave, sweep out the house and make certain all your belongings are out. When you leave for the closing, make sure you have your documents, along with all house keys and garage door openers.

After the closing is completed, call your insurance agent and cancel your homeowner's policy.

Please Note: that not everything listed on this portfolio will be needed in every case.

Likewise, some items, which are not listed above may be required on a particular case.

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