



# COASTAL CARRIER

## MOVING AND STORAGE

### Coastal Carrier Moving Guide

#### When to Move

Summer is the peak season for movers as families want to get settled in before school begins. If possible, avoid the busy time between Memorial Day and Labor Day. If you must move in the summer, plan well in advance. Keep in mind, too, that the first and last weeks of the month are usually the most hectic time for movers. Our team here at Coastal Carrier will make every effort to accommodate your schedule. The sooner we know when and where you are going, the better prepared we will be to make you our top priority that day.



#### Plants

We can move your plants; however, we cannot guarantee their survival. Obviously, a move across town is not as taxing on your plants as a move from coast to coast. Some plants are more sensitive to changes in light, temperature, and humidity than others. We recommend that you transport your plants if possible. If not, we'll do our very best to keep them green and growing.

#### Hazardous Materials

Trucking laws do not allow us to transport hazardous materials such as gasoline, cleaning fluids, aerosols and LP Gas tanks. Please drain the fuel from all equipment - lawn mowers, go-carts, gas grills, etceteras - prior to our arrival.



#### Insure your Belongings

We are required by law to carry insurance on the contents of our trucks. However, you may have furniture or other items of special value that you wish to insure at replacement value or shipper declared value. Our representative will explain to you which is more appropriate for your move.

#### Let us Pack

We know how to pack all of your belongings in the safest packing materials and boxes. You may be tempted to do all the packing yourself; however, in the long run, professional packing will not only reduce your stress level and save time during the move, but will give you peace of mind that your treasured things will arrive safely at your new home or office.



## 10 Packing Tips for a Smooth Move

- Pack non-essential items in advance.
- Set packing goals and deadlines so that all packing is completed by moving day.
- Label boxes on the sides and tops.
- Unplug all electronic equipment such as TVs, stereos, home computers, 12 hours in advance of move, so that they will be at room temperature. Heat retained in these items can cause internal damage.
- Use smaller boxes for heavy items and larger boxes for lighter ones. Rule of thumb: The heavier the item, the smaller the box.
- Pack "OPEN ME FIRST" boxes of things you will need immediately at your new home. We'll load them last so that it unloads first.
- Pack clothing and linens in dresser drawers. This reduces the number of boxes you'll need. Do not pack books, magazines, weights and other heavy items in dresser drawers. This added weight makes them too heavy to lift and risks damaging the furniture during transport.
- Keep items from the same room in the same box.
- Do not interlock the ends of boxes. Taping is safer and more reliable.
- Have enough boxes so you can keep packing without having to stop and buy more boxes. Being properly prepared will save you plenty of time and stress.

## Planning your Boxes

Sometimes, one of the hardest things to discern is how many boxes you need for your belongings. Below is a handy chart to help you estimate. Remember, Coastal Carrier has boxes available for your move. Ask us!

<b>Number of Bedrooms</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>Studio</b>
Small Boxes	100	100	80	60	45	15
Medium Boxes	80	75	65	59	30	10
Large Boxes	30	25	20	10	5	3
DishPack Boxes	12	10	8	5	2	2
Wardrobe Boxes	10	8	6	4	2	1
<b>Total</b>	<b>232</b>	<b>218</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>129</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>31</b>