Get into the Christmas Spirit when moving house

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Moving house during Christmas may not seem everyone's idea of festive fun but with careful planning can be a bit more bearable. Helpiammoving.com (http://www.helpiammoving.com) will make sure your move is joyful and triumphant.

• Plan ahead. If you are using a removal company over the holiday period then book early. Not only can the run up to Christmas be very busy, some companies may have staff shortages. This time may be ideal for you to unpack but most companies reduce staff numbers over this period so you may not get the company you want or worse pay more for overtime.

• Use appropriate equipment. If you are moving yourself use good quality double walled boxes (http://www.helpineedboxes.co.uk) that won't get wet and damp and fall apart. Products like stik'n guard and floor protectors are also good for keeping your carpets clean especially if wet or snowy outside. Plastic covers for mattress and sofa are also worth their weight in gold. www.helpineedboxes.co.uk have a good range and offer a next working day service throughout the UK.

• Check the weather forecast. Most forecasts are done 5 days in advance so if really bad weather is predicted then contact the removal company and see if they can work around another day. After all they don't want to get stuck. If you have to move when it snows or is forecasted to, salt your driveways, steps and paths. Not only to prevent your removal van getting stuck but also you don't want anyone to slip when carrying heavy boxes. Buy a shovel early; a lot of shops sell out at the hint of bad weather.

• Check your vehicle and have an emergency kit to hand. Breaking down at the best of times is no fun but on moving day can be a nightmare especially if you have a removal company waiting for keys etc. Make sure you give your car a full service and that you have a first aid kit and a torch.

• Food. Last thing you want to do in this stressful time is a food shop. Shop online and have delivered to your new property. However plan early as most delivery slots get booked up very early.

• Double Up. Send out Christmas cards out with your new address saving on stamps. Christmas is always a good time to get in touch with people you haven't spoken to in ages so send your cards early.

• Pack and label Christmas boxes. Make your Christmas box exciting with decorations, lights Christmas presents, chocolate and sweets. Unpack these first to get you into the spirit and make things look familiar.

• Be prepared. Moving home in winter usually ends up moving in the dark. Make sure you have a supply of torches and lightbulbs just incase.

• Settle in quickly. Unpacking the curtains and getting out throws,cushions will not only make your house feel warmer but also help you feel settled in quicker.

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Andrew is available for interview. If you are thinking of writing or running a feature on moving house
and need a quirky personality then let us help.

Editor's notes:

Andrew Scholey started the website over 12 years ago. Andrew is an ex-removal man with over 20 years
experience in the industry so can give a trade perspective to the general public.

Andrew developed the idea of Helpiammoving.com as he wanted to help make the experience of moving less
fraught. The site was developed around feedback from movers during Andrew's long time working in the
Industry. It is the only site in the UK that is dedicated to the last stages of moving and based on
industry experience rather than hearsay. The site is not run by one removal or self storage company or
trade association or financial advertising agency and so is able to offer totally unbiased advice.

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