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## How to Pack Household Items

- Electronics:
  - Check owners manuals for moving tips
  - Let equipment cool to room temperature prior to packing and prior to plugging in.
  - Place cords in clearly labeled bags; or place color coordinated stickers on cords and appliance for easy reference.
  - Make copies of all computer files and store them online or carry them with you (assuring that they do not get too hot or cold)
- Files
  - Carry important documents, such as birth certificates, passports, financial documents and social security cards with you.
- Dishes
  - Pack vertically, as if you were packing records; place thin layer of protection between each dish.

- Lamps
    - Remove the bulb, harp, and shade
    - Wrap the shade in tissue paper and place in separate box (upright) with the separately wrapped harp.
  
  - Wall Hangings
    - Purchase mirror boxes from your moving company or supply-store; be sure to put the foam pieces into place, prior to taping.
  
  - Books
    - Pack books flat with alternating bindings
    - Fill empty space with paperbacks or crumpled paper
    - Please use book boxes or small boxes when packing; books are heavy and medium/large boxes are not meant for that amount of weight.
  
  - Food Items
    - If moving long-distance, please give family/friends or neighbors your perishable items (i.e. frozen foods). If, you have non-perishable items that are not expired our movers can donate them to the local food bank, if time does not allow you to.
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