## Countdown to moving in.

Key dates	Stuff you need to do	Check when done
	When your offer is accepted:	
/ /	Enter your possession or moving in date	
	If you're renting, give your landlord written notice	
	Keep a list of the mail you get each day for change of address cards (incl. friends, family, companies like insurers and credit card companies, magazines or catalogues you subscribe to, any charity organisation Inland Revenue)	
/ /	One month before moving day:	
	Phone several moving companies for quotes. Get quotes for your house and contents insurance - make sure it covers the move itself	
	Contact power, gas companies to arrange final meter readings and disconnections for the last possible moment	
	Arrange reconnection of power and gas at your new home	
	Arrange relocation of television services, if applicable e.g. SkyTV, Saturn	
	Arrange transfer of your telephone number and account - or confirm new telephone number at your new address	$\circ$
	Start collecting boxes and packing things you don't use much (number boxes as you pack them - and label by room)	0
/ /	Two weeks before moving day:	
	Arrange with New Zealand Post for your mail to be redirected to your address	
	Pick up change of address cards - they're free	
	Make an appointment with your lawyer to sign your mortgage documents next week	
	Get a forwarding address for the previous owners of your new home	$\bigcirc$
	Ask the previous owners to brief you on things to do with the house - like how the alarm, plumbing, and heating work, the names of paint colours used, tradespeople who have worked on the house, and about the garden	
/ /	One week before moving day:	
	If you're renting, contact your landlord to arrange to return their keys	
	Send your change of address cards, change papers or any other deliveries to your new address and confirm start day for deliveries  Give your new address to your landlord or the people moving into your old place	0
	Discuss times for moving in and out with the last owners and confirm with removal company	
	If you have children, let teachers know your children may be unsettled	
	Do a last check of the property you're buying (see if the place is still in good order, that everything you	
	think you've bought is still there and any repairs agreed have been done - if there are any problems talk	
	to your lawyer)	0
	Finish packing everything except the essentials	$\bigcirc$
	Put valuables and important documents in a safe place - you might want to move these items yourself	$\bigcirc$
/ /	Moving day:	
	Collect the keys to your new home	
	Check everything is gone from your old home and that it has arrived at the new one	$\bigcirc$
	Clean up your old place and return the keys to your landlord, or your lawyer (if you are selling) Start unpacking!	

