# SALEM AREA MOVING GUIDE

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### **CROSS TOWN MOVING CENTERS**...



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Whether your moving locally or considering a move to or from the greater Salem area, we hope that you will find our moving guide helpful in preparing for your move.

**Getting started:** The first place to start is by having a garage sale or donate items to Goodwill or a local charity. Now's the time to get rid of unwanted items. Whether you decide to move yourself or use a full service mover, the less items that you have, the easier and less expensive that your move will be. Don't forget to keep your receipts for tax purposes!



**Salem Locations**: -3235 Portland rd. - 3535 Lancaster dr. NE -1125 Crowley ave SE - <u>www.meetgoodwill.com</u>



**Packing Supplies** 

**Huge selection of moving boxes and supplies**: A successful move starts with proper packing. If you plan on doing your own packing, we carry an excellent selection of affordable moving boxes and packing supplies. We stock several sizes of bubblewrap, packing paper, mattress bags, shrink wrap for upholstered items, tape and many other products.



**Professional packing service:** We provide our full time, certified, pro-packers at affordable hourly rates. We can pack the entire house or just the fragiles: dishes, pictures, lamps and electronics. Our pro-packers are neat, organized and label everything properly. We arrive at your residence with all of the packing supplies. Keep in mind, our service is very flexible. You can come pick up boxes and supplies and pack at will, knowing the whole time that if you don't get finished, call us and we'll send out one or two staff to finish.

Salems Local and Statewide Mover: Cross Town Movers specializes in local and

statewide moving. Our professional crews are clean cut, courteous, but most importantly, very experienced at careful relocating your belongings. We offer affordable hourly rates for local moves and can perform the whole move, just the big items or even one piece. We arrive at your door in the truck, fully equipped with all of the furniture pads, hand trucks, runners for carpets and tools to dis-assemble and re-assemble items like beds. We



offer full service relocations to every city in the State of Oregon as well as the country.



#### **Bekins Interstate Since 1891:**

Cross Town Movers is proud to be Salem, Eugene, the Central Oregon Coast and Corvallis's exclusive agent for Bekins Van lines. We offer professional relocation services to every city in the United States. For well over 100 years now, Bekins has been thriving nationally, with over 250

quality agents nationwide. As the nations oldest and most recognized national mover, Bekins leads the moving industry with programs like guaranteed price protection and for all its worth protection for your goods in transit. Bekins has the strongest network of professional drivers in the industry, bar none. They are skilled at providing safe, efficient and personalized customer service. The Bekins company is recognized globally as an ISO certified carrier. This means that you can expect accurate times of arrival, constant communication and efficient claims handling.

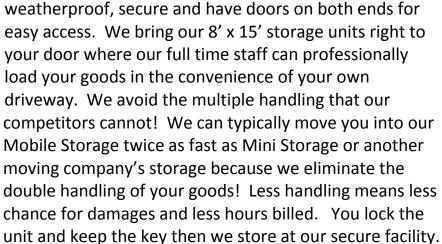


Penske Truck Rental: Cross Town Moving Centers is Salem's Penske Truck Rental Dealer. As Penske, we offer the newest fleet of trucks for rent in the industry. This means quality, reliable trucks with AC and Automatic transmissions. We have 4 sizes of trucks to choose from for local and one way rentals to almost every city in the United States. We also have

towing equipment, furntiture pads and hand truck rentals available. For local moves, many of our customers rent a Penske truck to move their own small items, then have our professional Cross Town Mover's staff move the larger items. For one way rentals, take advantage of our professional rental truck loading service at affordable rates.

#### Mobile Storage: We load our weatherproof units right at your door!





We are the only moving company in the state with

mobile storage! Our 8' x 15' units are fully



International Moving: Bekins International is one of the world's largest International shippers. Cross Town Movers staff will expertly pack and load your Bekin's overseas container for safe transport. Bekins handles your customs paperwork and offers full value protection!



THE FOLLOWING PAGES ARE HELPFUL MOVING TIPS!



Small Appliances: Pack small appliance in original container if possible, or in a 3.0 cu. ft. moving box. Do not use shredded paper as it can clog the appliance.

#### **Major appliances:**

Check with the appliance dealer for any special moving instructions.
Remove loose fittings and pack separately.



**Washers and dryers:** We are happy to un-hook and re-hook. If moving yourself, pad exterior well. Disconnect hoses and put them in the washer. **Refrigerators/freezers:** Defrost and dry interiors well. Have an ice chest ready to remove food items at the last minute.



**Books:** They're heavy, so use small, sturdy 1.5 cu. ft. book boxes. Pack books flat, alternating binding and filling empty spaces with packing paper.

**Dressers/bureaus:** Fill drawers with clothes, towels or linens. **Lamps:** Tall floor lamps are safe to transfer as is with padding. Small table lamps should be wrapped into paper pads or bubble wrap and packed into a lamp carton or 4.5 cu. ft. carton.



**Clothes:** Dresses, coats, suits or anything hanging in your closet will travel best in a wardrobe box. Wardrobes can also be used seasonally as an extra closet for storage!

**Beds:** If you are moving yourself, dis-assemble the bed frame. Tie rails and cross piece together with tape. Be sure to mark on the tape to where the pieces fit together for reassembly. Use mattress bags to keep mattresses clean.

**Dishes:** Individually wrap each piece and place in a dish pack. Place saucer, plates and platters on edge. Do not stack flat!

Cups and bowls may be placed inside of each other and wrapped 3 or 4 to a bundle.

**Glasses and kitchenware:** Wrap each glass separately in paper or bubble wrap. Dish packs are perfect for glassware as well as dishes. Pots and pans can be stacked in a 3.0 or 4.5 carton.



**Mirror carton:** Wrap your mirrors or pictures into paper pads, then place into mirror cartons. Fill bottom, sides and top with packing paper to fill space. Mark fragile glass on the outside to prevent mis-handling.

**Stereo, compact discs:** Separately pack components in a well padded carton. Pack CDs upright in the cases and mark fragile.



**Radios and T.V.'s:** Box small T.V.'s upright in carton and pad well on sides. Plasma T. V.'s should always be packed in their original carton or a sturdy substitute and must remain upright. For older console size equipment, simply surround with furniture pads.

**Lawn Mower:** Drain fuel and oil before loading. Drop handle from Lawn Mower to save space.

**Tools and gardening equipment:** Drain hoses, coil and screw ends together to avoid leaks. Tie rakes and shovels in a bundle.

Paint and flammables: Don't move them! The same goes for other flammable such as alcohol, solvents, lighter fluid or greasy mops and rags. These can be dangerous items and must be disposed of prior to moving. Bicycles, tricycles and baby carriages: Loosen handlebars and turn inward to save space. Clean and cover chains to protect other items from being snagged or soiled.







**Indoor plants:** Plants are delicate and must be handled with great care. If you're moving locally, they will usually survive the transfer safely in your car or if placed on the floor of the moving truck. If you are moving long distance, find a friend or family member to adopt your plants. Full Service movers will not transport plants and they usually will not survive in the back of your rental truck for days.

- Feel free to leave your dressers full of clothing, this will save on your amount of boxes. Make sure to unload all other furniture containing items other than clothing, i.e., desks, hutches, a coffee table with a drawer. The exception to the rule would be standard file cabinets, not laterals. These can typically be moved full, unless they are going upstairs.
- Prior to the move starting, have the tops of all your furniture items cleared off and ready to go, have clear walkways, and a good idea of where you want your furniture placed at your new residence. This will speed up your move.
- Be sure to have your boxes labeled and sealed. Label your boxes on the side of the box, not the top, and according to where you want them placed at your new residence. For example, label the boxes with a big #1 for bedroom #1, with an L for living room, an F for family room etc. Whether moving yourself or using Cross Town Mover's professional staff, we recommend putting your boxes into their correct rooms. This will save the time of handling things twice.
- Pack essentials, such as medicines, toiletries, important paperwork, and several days of clothing into separate boxes and place them in your car or as the last boxes on the truck. Also include things like your television remote control and telephone.

Good luck with your relocation! Please let us know if we can help. (503)-581-6683