

Storage Tips

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You put a lot of thought into packing your stuff. Put the same consideration into storing it too. Here are some tips to help you store with care:

Organizing your storage unit

- ✓ Choose your unit size based on accessibility. If you need to access your stored items often, consider a larger unit with sufficient aisle space. That way, you can leave gaps between your things and access them without having to move anything around.
- ✓ Think of the seasonality of your items, and group things of similar season together.
- ✓ Place the more frequently needed items close to the entrance of your storage locker.

Storing your stuff

- ✓ When stacking your boxes, place durable, heavy items on the bottom and lighter, fragile items on the top.
- ✓ Use boxes of the same size. They'll be easier to stack.
- ✓ Move in the heavy, bulky items first.
- ✓ For refrigerators and freezers, be sure to defrost, clean and dry them out. When storing them, leave the doors slightly ajar to prevent mold from growing inside.
- ✓ For bicycles, loosening and turning the handlebars sideways makes them easier to store. Keep the pedals covered to prevent grease or oil from rubbing off on other items.
- ✓ Be sure to drain gasoline from any machinery.
- ✓ Don't store anything flammable or combustible, like gasoline, oil, cleaning fluids, paint or paint thinner.
- ✓ Don't store food.
- ✓ Check your unit once a month to make sure none of your boxes have shifted or collapsed.
- ✓ Be sure to use a good quality lock to secure your unit. You can choose from a variety of locks in our on-site moving supplies store.