



Where to Update Your Address

Checklist

Changing your address takes time, but it's much easier to deal with it **before** any problems arise from missing mail. We know it's difficult to keep track of all the places you need to update your address amid the chaos of moving into a new home, so here's a checklist to make it a little easier.

Not all the organizations and agencies on this list will apply to you. Some of the urls are relevant regardless of where you move to/from, some only concern Washington State, and others only concern King County. For the purpose of this checklist, we're assuming you live in the city of Seattle.

Government

Voter Registration

Update your address no later than 29 days before election day.
kingcounty.gov/depts/elections/how-to-vote/register-to-vote/change-my-address.aspx

IRS

irs.gov/forms-pubs/about-form-8822

State tax agency

Not needed in Washington State

County tax assessment office

For King County property taxes
kingcounty.gov/~media/operations/finance/Treasury/NameAddressForm

Social Security

ssa.gov/open/data/change-of-address-online-apps.html

DMV

dol.wa.gov/driverslicense/addresschange.html

Parenting Plan

For shared custody arrangements in Washington State
washingtonlawhelp.org/resource/questions-and-answers-about-washingtons-reloc

Department of Veteran's Affairs

ebenefits.va.gov/ebenefits/manage/contact

U.S. Customs and Immigration Service

uscis.gov/addresschange

Pet licensing

seattle.gov/animal-shelter/license/mail-or-in-person-licensing

Medicare

mymedicare.gov/helppages/accountservices/accountmenu/updateyourinformation/

Post Office

Notifying the post office online will forward any mail sent to your old place to your new one for 12 months. You can set it for a specific start date, so you should do this at least a week before moving day—any later and there may be a gap between when you move and when your mail forwarding can begin.

usa.gov/post-office

Financial

Employer

Even if your manager and coworkers know about your move, you still need to file the proper paperwork with HR

Bank and/or credit unions

Credit card companies

Loan providers

PayPal

Pension plans, IRA, and 401k administrators

All other investment accounts

Account/Tax specialist

Credit reporting agencies

Insurance

Homeowner/Renter's insurance

Health insurance

Dental insurance

Life insurance

Auto insurance



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Our team has bought and sold homes throughout greater Seattle since 1990. As transition specialists, we also help our clients navigate the life changes that go along with finding a new home.

Whether your family is growing or shrinking, whether you're starting something new or retiring to someplace simpler, our experience means more than just smooth homebuying and homeselling—we'll help you through all the logistics and emotions of a major life change.

Utilities

- Electric**
Seattle City Light
seattle.gov/light/start-stop-transfer/
- Water, sewer, and garbage**
Seattle Public Utility
seattle.gov/util/warp/OpenClose
- Oil**
- TV, home phone, and Internet**
- Cell phone**

Home Services

- Lawn care**
- Cleaning service**
- Home security**
- Pest control**

Memberships and Subscriptions

- Magazines, newspapers, and newsletters**
- Delivery services**
Hello Fresh, Imperfect Produce, Prime Now, Domino's, etc.
- Online shopping**
Amazon, eBay, etc.
- Store membership**
Costco, Sam's Club, etc.
- Other membership organizations**
AAA, AARP, ACLU, etc.
- Google Maps and other navigation apps**

Personal Services

- Dentist**
- Doctors**
- Veterinarian**
- Lawyer**
- Babysitter or nanny**
- Dogwalker**

Social

- Friends and family**
Even if they know you're moving, they'll want your new address
- Schools and daycares**
- PTA**
- Kids' clubs and sports teams**
- Church**
- Social clubs and civic clubs**
- Alumni groups**
- Charities and nonprofits you support**

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