



Hello Hutto

Moving to Hutto Guide



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NEW RESIDENT CHECKLIST FOR HUTTO, TEXAS



Moving to Hutto should be exciting, not an endless parade of passwords, deposits and government forms. Use this checklist to organize everything you need to complete before, during and after your move. **Important:** Utility providers, school assignments, HOA rules and service availability can vary by address. Confirm every service using your exact Hutto address before scheduling your move.

Quick Checklist

Short on time? Complete these tasks first:

- Confirm your move-in or closing date.
- Determine which company provides water at your address.
- Arrange water, wastewater, trash and recycling services.
- Select an electricity provider, if applicable.
- Schedule internet installation.
- Arrange homeowner's or renter's insurance.
- Submit your official USPS change of address.
- Enroll children in school or childcare.
- Schedule movers or reserve a moving vehicle.
- Update your driver license and vehicle registration.
- Register to vote at your new address.
- Apply for a homestead exemption if you qualify.
- Update your pet's identification and registration.





FOUR TO SIX WEEKS BEFORE MOVING



Housing and Move-In Details

- Confirm the property address, unit number and ZIP code.
- Verify your closing, lease-start or move-in date.
- Review your lease, purchase agreement or builder documents.
- Confirm when and where you will receive the keys.
- Ask whether the property has an HOA.
- Request the HOA rules, fees and contact information.
- Ask about move-in restrictions or reserved moving hours.
- Confirm parking rules for moving trucks and trailers.
- Measure doors, stairs and large furniture.
- Photograph the property before moving belongings inside.
- Keep closing papers, lease documents and identification together.

Moving Arrangements

- Compare moving-company estimates.
- Confirm that the moving company is properly insured.
- Obtain the estimate and cancellation terms in writing.
- Reserve a moving truck, trailer or storage unit if needed.
- Schedule cleaning for the old and new homes.
- Arrange childcare or pet care for moving day.
- Begin packing items that are not used daily.
- Label boxes by room and contents.
- Create one clearly marked “Open First” box.
- Keep medications, identification and important documents with you.

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TWO TO FOUR WEEKS BEFORE MOVING



Water, Sewer, Trash and Recycling

- Identify the correct utility provider for your specific address.
- Submit the appropriate service application.
- Pay any required deposit or connection fee.
- Schedule service to begin no later than your move-in date.
- Save your account number and confirmation.
- Confirm your trash and recycling collection days.
- Ask where carts should be placed and stored.
- Review bulk-waste and brush-collection rules.

The City of Hutto Utility Billing Office handles water, wastewater and residential garbage services for many addresses. However, certain neighborhoods receive some or all services from other providers, including Manville Water Supply Corporation or Jonah Special Utility District.

Check the provider before applying, your Hutto mailing address does not automatically tell you who controls the faucet. [Verify residential utility service](#)

The City accepts requests for new and transferred residential service and can be contacted through its official connection page. [Connect City of Hutto utility service](#)

Electricity

- Ask the property owner, landlord or builder which utility serves the address.
- Determine whether you can select a retail electricity plan.
- Compare the total rate, contract length and termination fee.
- Read the Electricity Facts Label before enrolling.
- Schedule electricity to begin before move-in.
- Save the provider's emergency and outage information.

Do not select a plan based only on the advertised cents-per-kilowatt-hour number. Review the full pricing structure, minimum-use provisions and contract terms.

Internet and Communication

- Check internet availability using the exact street address.
- Compare download speed, upload speed, data limits and equipment fees.
- Schedule installation early, particularly if you work from home.
- Confirm whether the property is already wired.
- Ask whether equipment must be purchased or returned.
- Update billing addresses for mobile-phone accounts.
- Download account apps before moving day.

“Available in Hutto” does not always mean available on your particular side of the street. Address-level confirmation is essential.

Insurance

- Activate homeowner's or renter's insurance.
- Verify the exact date coverage begins.
- Update automobile-insurance garaging information.
- Ask whether flood or additional water coverage is appropriate.
- Photograph valuable possessions.
- Store policy numbers somewhere accessible.
- Confirm coverage for belongings while they are being moved.



ONE TO TWO
WEEKS BEFORE
MOVING



Forward Your Mail

- Submit an official USPS change-of-address request.
- Select an individual, family or business move.
- Choose temporary or permanent forwarding.
- Save the USPS confirmation code.
- Update important senders directly.

The official USPS online change-of-address process currently includes a small identity-verification fee. USPS warns that unofficial websites may charge substantially more, so use the official postal service website. [Submit a USPS change of address](#)



Update your address with:

- Employer
- Banks and credit unions
- Credit-card companies
- Loan providers
- Insurance companies
- Medical providers
- Pharmacies
- Schools and childcare providers
- Subscription services
- Professional licenses
- Social Security Administration, if applicable
- Internal Revenue Service, if applicable
- Friends and family

Mail forwarding is a safety net, not a magical announcement to every company that has ever mailed you a coupon.



School and Childcare

- Confirm which school district serves the property.
- Verify the assigned campus using the district's current boundary information.
- Complete online student enrollment.
- Upload the required residency and identification documents.
- Transfer academic, medical and special-program records.
- Submit immunization records.
- Request transportation information.
- Review the school calendar and supply list.
- Update emergency contacts.
- Notify the school of any disability, health or accommodation needs.
- Arrange daycare, preschool or after-school care.

Hutto ISD provides online enrollment for new students.

Families should verify enrollment requirements and campus assignments directly with the district rather than relying on a real-estate listing. [Enroll a new student with Hutto ISD](#)

Medical Care

- Confirm that your health-insurance plan serves the Hutto area.
- Select a primary-care provider.
- Find a pediatrician, dentist and veterinarian if needed.
- Transfer prescriptions.
- Request medical and dental records.
- Locate nearby urgent-care facilities and hospitals.
- Save emergency contacts in each household member's phone.
- Pack several days of medication separately from moving boxes.



MOVING-DAY CHECKLIST



Before Leaving Your Previous Home

- Tag and Pack.
- Contact a Moving Company.
- Complete a final walk-through.
- Photograph each room.
- Photograph utility-meter readings when appropriate.
- Check cabinets, closets, attic and garage.
- Remove trash and personal belongings.
- Secure doors and windows.
- Return keys and access devices as required.
- Keep receipts, contracts and inventory documents.
- Confirm that pets and essential supplies are safely transported.

When You Arrive in Hutto

- Confirm that water and electricity are working.
- Check for leaks, damage or safety concerns.
- Photograph the condition of every room.
- Test locks, smoke alarms and carbon-monoxide alarms.
- Locate the electrical panel and main water shutoff.
- Confirm internet-installation arrangements.
- Check the mailbox and obtain any required mailbox key.
- Confirm trash-cart delivery and collection day.
- Review parking and HOA rules.
- Keep children and pets away from unloading areas.
- Introduce yourself to nearby neighbors when convenient.

Open-First Box

Pack these items separately:

- Toilet paper
- Paper towels
- Trash bags
- Soap and cleaning supplies
- Basic tools
- Phone chargers
- Medications
- Pet food
- Bottled water
- Snacks
- Towels and bedding
- Change of clothes
- Important documents
- Flashlights
- First-aid supplies
- Coffee supplies, because moving without coffee is an unnecessary test of character

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DURING YOUR FIRST WEEK



Home Safety and Security

- Change or rekey exterior locks.
- Reset garage-door and alarm codes.
- Replace smoke-alarm batteries if needed.
- Test carbon-monoxide alarms.
- Locate fire extinguishers.
- Program emergency contacts.
- Create a household emergency plan.
- Learn the safest severe-weather location in the home.
- Verify that your street address is visible to emergency responders.
- Review HOA requirements before making exterior changes.

Pets

- Update the address on each pet's microchip.
- Update identification tags.
- Transfer veterinary records.
- Locate a nearby veterinarian.
- Check fences and gates.
- Confirm local leash requirements.
- Obtain the required pet registration.
- Keep a current vaccination certificate available.

Hutto requires pet registration and proof of current vaccination. Registration is available through the Hutto Police Department or online through the Williamson County Regional Animal Shelter. [Review Hutto pet-registration info](#)

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DURING YOUR
FIRST 30 DAYS



Vehicle Registration for New Texans

If you moved to Texas from another state:

- Obtain qualifying Texas automobile insurance.
- Complete any required emissions inspection.
- Gather proof of ownership and prior registration.
- Complete the required Texas application.
- Visit the appropriate county tax office.
- Register each vehicle within the required period.
- Save the registration receipt.

New Texas residents generally have 30 days to register their vehicles. Williamson County is also listed among the counties requiring qualifying noncommercial vehicles to pass an emissions inspection before registration. Review the current requirements before visiting the tax office. [Texas DMV guidance for new residents](#)

Texas Driver License or Identification Card

- Schedule a Texas DPS appointment.
- Gather proof of identity.
- Gather proof of citizenship or lawful presence.
- Gather proof of Texas residency.
- Bring insurance information for vehicles you own.
- Transfer your out-of-state license.
- Update your address with other licensing agencies.

A new resident may generally drive with a valid, unexpired qualifying out-of-state license for up to 90 days after moving to Texas. First-time Texas applications and out-of-state transfers require an in-person DPS appointment.

[Texas DPS guide for new residents](#)

Appointments can be scarce, so schedule early. Waiting until day 89 is a bold administrative strategy, but not a good one.

Voter Registration

- Register to vote in Williamson County.
- Update your address if you were already registered in Texas.
- Verify your registration status.
- Find your voting precinct.
- Review upcoming election dates.

New voter registrations and address changes must generally be submitted at least 30 days before Election Day to be effective for that election. [Williamson County voter-registration information](#)

Homeowners

- Confirm that your deed was recorded correctly.
- Verify your mailing address with the appraisal district.
- Review the property's tax jurisdictions.
- Apply for a residence homestead exemption if eligible.
- Retain confirmation of the application.
- Check the exemption status after processing.
- Save closing and improvement records.
- Calendar HOA payments and property-tax dates.
- Avoid companies charging unnecessary homestead-filing fees.

Williamson Central Appraisal District offers online homestead-exemption filing and states that there is no fee to apply. [Apply through Williamson Central Appraisal District](#)

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DURING YOUR
FIRST 60–90
DAYS



Settle Into the Community

- Visit Hutto parks and recreation facilities.
- Obtain a library card.
- Subscribe to official City of Hutto notices.
- Follow Hutto ISD announcements if applicable.
- Locate nearby grocery stores, pharmacies and medical care.
- Find local restaurants and small businesses.
- Review local events and festivals.
- Join a neighborhood or community organization.
- Locate volunteer opportunities.
- Review emergency-preparedness resources.
- Explore Hutto Pages for local services.
- Subscribe to Hello Hutto and iHutto updates.

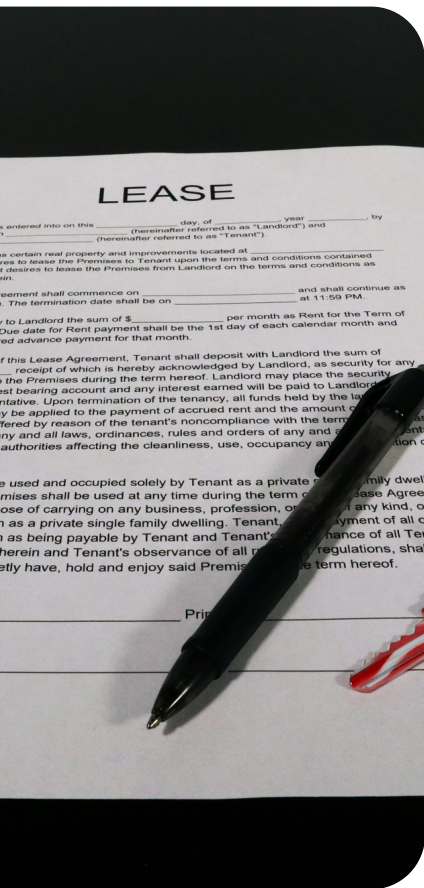
Review Your First Utility Bills

- Confirm all services were billed correctly.
- Check water usage for possible leaks.
- Review electricity-plan charges.
- Confirm autopay and paperless-billing settings.
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IMPORTANT
DOCUMENTS
TO KEEP
TOGETHER



- Create a secure physical or digital moving folder containing:
 - Lease or closing documents
 - Home inspection
 - Insurance policies
 - Moving contracts and receipts
 - Utility confirmations
 - Vehicle titles and registrations
 - Driver-license documents
 - Birth certificates
 - Social Security documents
 - School records
 - Medical and vaccination records
 - Pet records
 - HOA documents
 - Warranty information
 - Home repair receipts
 - Emergency contacts
- Do not store the only copy of sensitive documents in a moving truck.



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