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Miami Relocation Checklist

Everything you need — before, during, and after
your move to Miami.

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PART ONE

Before You Move

Relocating to Miami rewards those who prepare. This first chapter is a considered, week-by-week guide to arriving with grace — a private brief on timing, paperwork, and the small details that separate a smooth move from a stressful one.

30–60 Day Relocation Timeline

60 Days Out	Define budget, priority neighborhoods, and non-negotiables.
45 Days Out	Begin virtual tours; short-list 6–8 buildings.
30 Days Out	Submit applications; secure movers and storage.
14 Days Out	Confirm utilities, insurance, and building move-in slot.
Move Week	Final walk-through, key handover, address updates.

Apartment Search Timeline

- ☐ Weeks 8–6 — Research & shortlist
- ☐ Weeks 6–4 — Virtual & in-person tours
- ☐ Weeks 4–2 — Applications submitted
- ☐ Weeks 2–0 — Lease signed, deposit paid

Budget Planning

- ☐ First & last month + security deposit
- ☐ Application fees (\$75–\$150 per adult)
- ☐ Movers, storage, and insurance
- ☐ Utility setup deposits
- ☐ 6-month emergency reserve

Required Documents

- ☐ Government-issued photo ID
- ☐ Last 2 pay stubs or offer letter
- ☐ 2 years of tax returns (if self-employed)
- ☐ Bank statements (2–3 months)
- ☐ Rental history & references
- ☐ Pet vaccination records

Application Preparation

- ☐ Credit report pulled & reviewed
- ☐ Employment verification letter ready
- ☐ Guarantor documents (if needed)
- ☐ Renter's résumé prepared
- ☐ Personal reference letters

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- Landlords review applications in the order received — submit early in the week.
- Ask for the building's move-in calendar before signing; elevator slots book fast.
- Bundle renter's insurance with auto for meaningful savings in Florida.

PART TWO

The Neighborhoods

Miami is a city of distinct districts. Each has its own tempo, architecture, and after-hours character. A brief field guide to the four we recommend most for new residents.

ARTS DISTRICT

Wynwood

Murals, galleries, and independent kitchens. Loft-style residences and a young, design-minded community. Walkable and creative.

MODERN LIVING

Midtown

New high-rises, wide sidewalks, and easy access to Wynwood and the Design District. Balanced pace with excellent dining.

URBAN CORE

Downtown

Skyline views, waterfront promenades, and the Brickell financial corridor moments away. Best for professionals and city energy.

BAYFRONT CALM

Edgewater

Quieter waterfront neighborhood along Biscayne Bay. Elegant condominiums, Margaret Pace Park, and sunrise views over the water.

What to Compare Before Applying

PARKING

Assigned vs. valet vs. street; monthly cost.

PET FEES

One-time, monthly, and weight limits.

AMENITIES

Gym, pool, co-work, concierge, storage.

MOVE-IN SPECIALS

Free months, waived fees, deposit reductions.

COMMUTE

Time to work, MetroMover proximity, walkability.

PART THREE

The Move Itself

The days around your move deserve a quiet system. Work through each list in order — the earlier items unlock the later ones — and arrive on move-in day with nothing left to remember.

Utilities

- ☐ FPL electricity account opened
- ☐ Water & sewer transferred
- ☐ Gas (if applicable) scheduled
- ☐ Trash & recycling day noted

Insurance

- ☐ Renter's or homeowner's policy active
- ☐ Auto insurance updated to FL
- ☐ Health insurance provider confirmed
- ☐ Umbrella policy (recommended)

Furniture

- ☐ Delivery windows aligned with move-in
- ☐ Building elevator reserved
- ☐ Assembly service booked
- ☐ Old furniture donation scheduled

Building Orientation

- ☐ Move-in tour scheduled with concierge
- ☐ Amenity access codes activated
- ☐ Package room procedure understood
- ☐ Quiet hours & rules reviewed

Internet

- ☐ Xfinity or AT&T Fiber installed
- ☐ Router placement planned
- ☐ Wi-Fi network named & secured
- ☐ Streaming subscriptions updated

Parking

- ☐ Assigned spot number confirmed
- ☐ Guest parking policy reviewed
- ☐ Garage remote or fob collected
- ☐ EV charger access (if needed)

Address Change

- ☐ USPS mail forwarding filed
- ☐ Bank, brokerage, and credit cards updated
- ☐ Florida driver's license & voter reg.
- ☐ Employer, IRS, and subscriptions

Emergency Contacts

- ☐ Building management 24/7 line
- ☐ Nearest hospital & urgent care noted
- ☐ Non-emergency police 305-476-5423
- ☐ Trusted locksmith & handyman saved

PART FOUR

Welcome to Miami

The keys are yours. What follows is a small, curated companion for the first week — the places we send friends, the rituals that make Miami feel like home from day one.

First Week Checklist

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| ☐ Walk the neighborhood at sunrise | ☐ Meet a neighbor and the concierge |
| ☐ Locate the nearest hospital & pharmacy | ☐ Register your car in Florida |
| ☐ Try one restaurant within walking distance | ☐ Take an evening stroll along the bay |

BEST GROCERY STORES

- Whole Foods — Midtown
- Trader Joe's — Midtown
- The Fresh Market — Edgewater
- Publix — Midtown

COFFEE SHOPS

- Panther Coffee — Wynwood
- All Day — Downtown
- Vice City Bean — Edgewater
- OTL — Midtown

FITNESS

- Anatomy — Midtown
- Barry's Bootcamp — Wynwood
- [solidcore] — Midtown
- Legacy Fit — Wynwood

WEEKEND ACTIVITIES

- Wynwood Walls & gallery hop
- Pérez Art Museum — Downtown
- Margaret Pace Park — Edgewater
- Sunday brunch at Amara at Paraiso

CHAUNCI'S LOCAL TIPS

“Drive A1A at golden hour at least once. Learn one Cuban coffee order by heart. Keep a beach bag in your trunk. And say yes to the first neighbor who invites you to the rooftop — that’s how Miami becomes yours.”
— Chaunci, MiamiEase

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Need Help Finding the Right Miami Apartment?

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| • Live virtual tours | • Personalized relocation guidance |
| • Building-by-building comparisons | |

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