

# Moving Checklist For Plants

It is best for the plants if you can transport them in the car. Here are some suggestions for moving your plants.

- Three weeks before you move, prone back your plants to make them hardier and less bulky for the trip.
- Two weeks before moving, place your plants in a black plastic bag with a pest/bug strip or pest control powder. Close the bag and place in a cool area overnight. This will kill any pests on the plants or in the soil.
- The day before your move, place plants in the travel containers. Cardboard boxes are preferable. Secure the plants by packing dampened newspaper or dampened packing paper around the base of the plants and soil. Use more paper to cushion the leaves and place a final layer of wet paper on top of the plants to keep them moist.
- On moving day, set the boxes aside so that the moving company does not load them on to the moving van.
- On moving day, close up the boxes and punch air holes in the top...load them into your car.
- While plants are in the car, take care not to leave the plants in extreme heat or cold.
- Unpack the plants as soon as you arrive. Remove plants from the bottom of the box in order to avoid breaking the stems.
- Gradually expose plants to sunlight to reduce shock.
- If you leave your plants behind, take cuttings. Put the cuttings in to a plastic bag with wet paper towels wrapped around the cuttings.