

Pest Control & Safety Inspections

- All AFRA members are required to ensure their stores are free from pests.
- All AFRA members' storage facilities have regular plumbing and electrical inspections to ensure complete safety of stored goods.

Storage Suggestion

- Refrigerators should be thoroughly cleaned with hot soapy water, a little bleach, and then dried. Wiping the interior with a soft cloth with vanilla essence will ensure the interior is kept fresh.
- Washing machines and dishwashers should have all water drained from their interiors, including the pipes. The inner and outer bowl of the washing machine should be secured to prevent mechanical derangement.
- Before storing any mechanical or electrical goods, check with the manufacturer for any specific instructions.

Storing Valuables

- As silverfish and moths are the greatest risk to clothing, the items should be clean. Sealing in airtight packages reduces the risk of deterioration.
- Ensure no inflammable liquids, perishable foodstuffs or other hazardous items have been stored.
- Refer to another Moving Guide Kit topic, Ineligible Items for Removal and Storage, for information regarding items you may not store.
- Ensure you have not packed documents you will require before you take delivery of your goods i.e. passports, medical records, tax records, licences etc.
- Ensure your jewellery is not inadvertently stowed in your storage container.
- Have any carpets and rugs to be kept in storage cleaned, prior to stowing.

Warning

Storage of your goods in any facilities other than those specifically designed for the purpose is dangerous, due to the risk of fire, theft, pest damage and water/rain damage. With an AFRA member you have complete assurance that your goods are safe and in a controlled and secure environment.



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Storage



Reasons to Store Furniture

Often there are occasions when you need to store your furniture.

- Moving house-from large to smaller home
- Moving overseas
- Break up of a relationship
- Temporary move while new house being built

Whatever your reasons, you need to make sure your furniture is being protected and looked after while it is out of your care. There are several things you need to do before consigning your goods to store.

Recommendations

We recommend you use an AFRA member when storing your furniture as they have made commitments to excellence and meet professional standards that will ensure your furniture arrives at its final destination as you would wish. Ask the AFRA Removal Company of your choice about the benefits of their storage facilities before you consider other forms of storage.

Using an AFRA member for your storage requirements also provides you with protection from unsafe goods that may be stored in the unit beside you. With an AFRA members commitment to providing safe storage, you will not be at risk from exploding gas cylinders or leaking paint tins.

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Questions to ask

1. How will your goods be stored?
2. Are you able to make an inspection of the storage location before signing any contracts?
3. What insurance is available while your goods are in storage?
4. What systems are in place to cover adequate maintenance of your goods while in storage?
5. Is there a danger of pest destruction of your goods while in storage?

Types of storage

1 Open Stack/Free Standing

Effective for long and short term storage. Each furniture item will be wrapped protected with specially designed covers and sectioned off. Your goods will be delivered to store, where they will be unloaded and professionally stacked into their storage area.

2 Storage Modules

Effective for long term storage. These wooden boxes are designed to hold household goods undercover within a storage facility and ensure a dust free environment and complete isolation from other items. Usually your goods will be delivered to store, where they will be unloaded and professionally stacked into their own wooden box. In some instances, your goods may be packed into these boxes on site and lifted into position from the truck once in the storage area.

3 Containerised Storage-ISO – Shipping Containers

Effective for long term storage. These containers are made of steel and remain dust free and completely sealed for the duration of the storage period. In most instances, your goods will be packed into the container on site and delivered by truck to the storage area. This ensures only single handling of your goods.