

THINGS TO DO AT HOME AHEAD OF TRAVEL:

Getting ready to head out on vacation? Before you head to the airport, take a quick look through this checklist for some things you should do ahead of travel. As avid travellers, we have a few tips and tricks we follow, this list helps to ensure that you and your home are ready for vacation.

- Wind down grocery purchases and empty fridge and counters of perishables.
- Consider airport parking, airport ride there and back.
- Refuel or charge vehicle the night prior.
- Check the destination extended weather forecast.
- Consider clothing, jackets, sweaters.
- Check in online 24 hours in advance of flight. You can select seats at this time (if you haven't done it in advance) and pay for any baggage if required.
- Download your airline's APP to be notified of flight changes and retrieve your reservation.
- Provide friends and family a flight aware link and your flight numbers for arrival.
- Download movies, and music to use on your personal device during your flight (phone, IPAD, laptop).
- Check for running toilets or dripping faucets.
- Pack as much as possible the night before you leave and place near the exit doorway. Ideally, only toiletries are added to the luggage on the day of travel. Have luggage tagged the night prior.
- Have travel clothing taken out the night before you leave. Consider local and destination weather for carry on vs checked luggage.
- Pause newspaper subscriptions for your vacation duration (more than a day ahead).
- Empty garbage containers. Consider asking friends/relatives to put out and retrieve cans.
- Notify credit card companies to avoid issues with card usage while away.
- Thermostats, unplug sensitive electronics, consider lighting and security systems.
- Have someone check your mail for longer trips.