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Shifting houses can be a wonderfully exciting prospect. However, the process itself can be tedious and long drawn, more so if you decide to do it all on your own. Packing away clothes and smaller household items is one thing, but shifting bigger pieces of furniture and electrical appliances is quite another.



From packing to arranging the correct vehicles for transportation and subsequently unpacking at the required destination, requires a high level of expertise to ensure safety of your products.

If you have plenty of time, resources and lots of help from family and friends, then you might just be able to pull off a shift successfully, but only if you are shifting locally. If, however you do not, or you are shifting to another city or even another country, it is best to enlist the services of movers and packers.

Hiring the correct movers and packers to do the job is the first, but by far the most important step that you will need to take in this regard. Nothing can beat references provided by friends and family, who have actually used the services of movers and packers. However, in the absence of such a referral, it is required that you do a thorough research to find the most professional service providers.

THINGS TO LOOK OUT FOR

Here are few pointers to keep in mind while choosing movers and packers in the city. It is always best to compare the rates of two to three companies before making your choice. Having said that, choosing the one who quotes the lowest rates might not be the best idea because at the end of the day it is not practical to have saved money only to be left with damages goods. You rather check the reviews and ratings of each company and try speaking to their previous customers.

Make sure their price quotations are written rather than verbal because you might end up getting wary of the hidden

costs later on. If you are shifting cities then it is worth checking out the company's branches as well because unloading and unpacking of your products is equally important.

MOVERS AND PACKERS — DHAKA SCENE

Most of the movers and packers companies in Dhaka provide shifting services locally, to different cities within the country and internationally. Depending on their availability they might need to be notified weeks prior to the shifting date. However, most of them are able to provide shifting services on an urgent basis too.

Once contacted, they send a team of people almost immediately who will come and take a survey of the items needed to be moved and then provide an estimate of time and expenditure. Only after a contract is drawn and agreed upon will the shifting service start.

It is essential that their contract provides insurance to cover for any damages caused to your products on their behest. A Google

search will help you come up with a good number of movers and packers services in the city. Listed below are the names of a few companies to get you started. Happy shifting!

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