DURING THE MOVE CHECKLIST

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1 TRAVEL PREPARATION

Confirm the entire journey and travel light.

- [ ] Confirm every flight, travel date, connection, and baggage allowance.
- [ ] Confirm your hotel or Airbnb booking and check-in instructions.
- [ ] Arrange airport pickup or research official taxi/ride-hailing options.
- [ ] Save your complete itinerary on your phone and as printed copies.
- [ ] Check the proof-of-funds rule for your specific entry category; some travelers may be asked to show cash (often THB 20,000 or equivalent).
- [ ] Carry backup payment cards and a small amount of usable cash.
- [ ] Pack only essential clothing, toiletries, and personal items; many basics are available locally.
- [ ] Keep passport, travel documents, valuables, and medications in carry-on luggage.
- [ ] Keep secure digital copies of important documents accessible offline.

2 AT THE AIRPORT (DEPARTURE)

Keep documents and essentials easy to reach.

- [ ] Arrive early enough for international check-in and security.
- [ ] Have passport, visa or entry documents, and boarding passes ready.
- [ ] Complete airline-required checks and departure formalities.
- [ ] Keep documents, cash, electronics, and medications in your carry-on.
- [ ] Keep your accommodation address and onward travel details handy.
- [ ] Check flight status, departure gate, and connection instructions.
- [ ] Confirm that your phone can access important travel information.

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3 ARRIVING IN THAILAND

Complete entry, baggage, and customs procedures.

- [ ] Have your passport, appropriate visa or entry permission, and itinerary ready.
- [ ] Complete any required digital arrival registration before entry.
- [ ] Answer immigration questions accurately and provide supporting documents if requested.
- [ ] Check the permitted-stay date recorded by immigration.
- [ ] Collect baggage and pass through customs; declare items when required.
- [ ] Exchange a small amount of money or use an authorized ATM if needed.
- [ ] Activate a local SIM/eSIM if needed and contact your accommodation.
- [ ] Keep your passport and entry details secure.

4 GETTING TO YOUR DESTINATION

Use the designated transport area for your airport.

- [ ] Follow airport signs to official taxi stands or designated Grab pickup points.
- [ ] At Bangkok Suvarnabhumi, public taxis use Level 1; Grab pickup arrangements may differ.
- [ ] Do not assume all airports use the same floor or pickup location.
- [ ] Avoid unsolicited or unofficial transport offers inside the terminal.
- [ ] Have your hotel or Airbnb address in both English and Thai if possible.
- [ ] Confirm the fare or booking details before leaving the airport.
- [ ] Check into your accommodation and confirm access to Wi-Fi or mobile data.
- [ ] Rest, hydrate, and adjust to the time zone.