

# Helpful storage guide and tips from PODS

## General

- Create a list of all your items
- Protect items with moving pads, sheets or light blankets.
- Label boxes or containers on all sides.
- Consider clear plastic containers. Clear plastic containers allow you to see contents.
- Pack lighter boxes on top of heavier ones.
- Do not store any toxins or flammables.
- Do not store any food items.
- Ensure your belongings are insured at all times.

## Furniture

- Apply furniture oil to wooden pieces before storing for added protection.
- Dismantle larger items such as tables, bed frames, etc. to save space and put screws and fittings in labelled bags.
- Put all hardware in bags and label accordingly.
- Use paper pads or bubble wrap when stacking furniture to prevent scratching.

## Electronics

- Original boxes for electronics are best. Otherwise pack items in bubble wrap, cushion foam, and even wadded up newspaper.
- Label corresponding cords and components by using colour coded stickers.

## Appliances

- Clean appliances well prior to storing.
- Leave doors opened slightly, to prevent mildew.

## Pictures and Mirrors

- Wrap pictures that are small and stand them on end in boxes.
- For larger ones, buy special picture moving boxes.
- Always store mirrors or framed pieces on end, not flat.

## Crystal, China, and Glassware

- Buy boxes designed for this with dividers.
- Wrap each item with paper or foam.
- Label these boxes as FRAGILE.

## Clothing, Curtains, Drapes

- Use special wardrobe boxes or garment bags to hang items.
- Hang items on non-rusting hangers.
- Dresser drawers can be used to save space for storing smaller items.
- If storing wool items, use cedar chips and/or mothballs to prevent moth damage.

## On-site storage with PODS

*(Remember PODS Containers may be kept on-site at your location or in our Storage Centre)*

- If you would like your container storing on your driveway please ensure you have a 12ft wide opening and no overhanging cables or trees.
- When delivery or collection is due, please ensure nothing is blocking the entrance to your drive