



## Seven Useful Tips When Planning Your Relocation

*In this document, our Global Relocation Service team has put together seven aspects to consider when planning your relocation activities. We hope that you will find it useful. Please do not hesitate to contact us if you are interested in more information on how we can help you or your company to carry out efficient and smooth global relocations.*

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Tips from our Global Relocation Service team:

- Keep your passport updated; make sure that your passport and your accompanying family's passports are valid for more than 12 months due to restrictions when applying for visa and work permit.
- Summer is high season in the mobility industry, allowing additional lead time for the move of furniture as well as immigration permits may be necessary.
- When moving your household goods, remember that some items such as alcohol, vehicles, weapons, some musical instruments etc need extra precautionary measures and formalities.
- Pets are usually welcome to most places in the world; however it is very important to start this process early in order to acquire the required vaccinations, veterinary certificates and ordering quarantine services.
- Remember that schools abroad sometimes do not follow the same semester and calendar periods that you are used to.
- Most countries have public holidays that you might need to adjust to when applying for immigration or planning pre-visits. For instance, during the Chinese New Year, usually taking place sometime between January 21 and February 19 each year, many Chinese offices and official authorities are closed down. Make sure to check the local calendar before planning your activities.
- If you are using a relocation company, make sure they have experience in working with the country to which you are moving.

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