

Who exactly do you need to tell about a change of address?

It's not just your best friends and family who will need to know when you move.

There's a long list of other companies and organisations that need to know your new address. Our Property Team at Ferbrache & Farrell has created this helpful checklist, so that you can keep track of who you have and haven't told about your new address.

Utilities

Guernsey Electricity

Gas - if applicable

Guernsey Water

Sewage

for mains Sewage contact Guernsey Water and for septic tanks it's States Works (Sewage Collection Service)

Guernsey Post

when you move, there's not always time to change your mailing address for everything, so you can set up a postal redirect to give you some extra time. This means that any post sent to you at your old address will be redirected and delivered to your new address and you can apply for it up to three months before the date of your move.

Healthcare

Doctors

Dentist

Optician

Vet

Vehicle

Driving licence

your driver's licence will need to be updated with your new address as soon as possible. You will need to contact States of Guernsey Driver and Vehicle Licensing.

Vehicle breakdown cover

Car insurance

you'll need to inform your car/motorbike/scooter insurance provider about your change of address too. This is for both your insurance payments and your contact information in case of an accident.

Vehicle register/log

contact States of Guernsey Driver and Vehicle Licensing.

Household

TV licence

your TV licence won't be valid when you move to a new property so you will have to change this information on the TV Licensing website. This can be done up to three months in advance of your move.

Satellite

you should let them know of your change of address for billing purposes and so they can update your contact information. It's also worth checking whether your new home will require a new satellite dish to be installed before you update this information. Otherwise you'll be paying for services that you can't use.

Internet/broadband

Phone

for landlines, you'll need to inform the phone company that you are changing address.

Mobile

for your mobile you will need to update your address so that they can send the bill to the correct location and you can do that by contacting your provider over the phone or visiting one of their stores.

Health insurance

Life insurance

Pet insurance

Home/buildings and contents insurance

Travel insurance

Work

Your employer

your employer needs to know of a change of address so they can update your payroll and contact details.

Revenue Service/Income Tax Office

one of the most important institutions you need to notify.

Social Security

this is important for state pension or other benefits you may be eligible for.

Electoral roll

when you change address, you'll need to re-register on the electoral roll with your updated details.

Education

Schools

If you have children you should let their schools know that you are going to be moving to a new house so they can update your contact information.

University

private schools and universities will also need to know your address so that they can send over the tuition fees

Money

Banks

you should let your bank know about your change of address as soon as possible. Your place of residence is an important factor for proving your identity and forgetting to update this information might put you at risk of identity theft.

Savings/investments

Pensions

if you're on a private pension plan, you can update your pension information by contacting your provider by phone or email.

Credit card/debit card companies

Loan providers

Online shopping sites

Store cards

it is also a good idea to change your address for any cards you hold with specific stores as they will use that order for deliveries.

Services

If you hire anyone to help you maintain your property, you should notify them i.e.

Cleaners

Gardeners

Window cleaners

If you hire anyone's professional services, you should notify them too i.e.

Accountant

Advocate

Financial adviser

Insurance broker

Recreation

Health club/gym/spa

Newspaper/ magazine subscriptions

Kids' activities clubs
(i.e. ballet, tennis, football, rugby etc.)

Beautician

Clubs & societies

Hairdresser

The above list is not exhaustive but should hopefully guide you on who you need to inform about your new home. And remember, it's better to do this earlier rather than later so that you don't face potential hassles like missed bills or service lapses.



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