

Practical Tips

(NAPSA)—More than 40 million Americans are expected to move this year. Clive Pearse, the host of HGTV's "Designed to Sell," offers some easy, commonsense tips:

• Start Early—Don't wait until the last minute to start packing or notifying friends and businesses

that you're moving.

 Clear the Clutter—Assess what you have before moving everything to a new location. If you



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don't need it, get rid of it—many worthy charities will be happy to take useful items off your hands.

• Color Code—Choose a different-colored sticker for the kitchen, the living room, the master bedroom, etc. You'll be surprised at how much easier it will be to get the right boxes in the right place.

• Consolidate for Cleaning— Designate one box for all the clean-

ing supplies you'll need.

• Get Connected—You'll want TV, telephone and Internet at your new home. To help, top cable companies created the Cable Mover Hotline—www.cablemover.com or (866) 596-0424—to make it simple to set up such services.