

Tips and Hints for Self Storage



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At Eagle Eye Self Storage, we aim to help make your move and storage as easy as possible. The following are some general tips to consider when packing and moving.

Laws limit what may and may not be stored at a Self Storage Facility. Items that may not be stored include:

- >> Illegal, stolen or dangerous items
- >> Living items, including animals and plants
- >> Food items
- >> Flammables
- >> Explosives
- >> Perishables
- >> Toxic or environmentally hazardous materials
- >> Items that are a risk to the property of any person

Items needing environmentally controlled conditions should not be stored outside their specified conditions.

Packing in professional storage boxes will make storing and unpacking easier and safer, saving you time and worry. Professional packing and storage accessories will help maintain the condition of goods for the term of their storage. These packing supplies can be purchased from Eagle Eye Self Storage Tamworth.

Use uniform sizes of boxes to make best use of the total storage space.

Ensure that boxes are clearly marked with the contents of each box and their destination. Take home a list of the labelled boxes for easy reference when you need to locate your goods.

Fill boxes to capacity. Pack out boxes with paper. Partially full or bulging boxes may tip or collapse.

Be careful that the weight is appropriate to the box and the person lifting it and pack no more than 20kgs in a single box. Heavy items such as books or tools should be packed in small boxes. If a box is too heavy it will be hard to lift.

To prevent injury, **lift boxes using your legs** and not your back. Ask Eagle Eye Self Storage staff about the use of Moving Trolleys.

Do not stack boxes more than shoulder height to avoid injury when moving boxes.

Positioning of boxes - Place large, heavy items that you can stack upon at the rear of your storage unit, then work forwards and upwards with lighter and fragile items.

When storing furniture, and items on top of furniture, **drape moving blankets over the furniture.** This will help prevent the furniture from being scratched or marked.

Use **furniture protectors for lounges and mattresses** to protect them from dust.

Place those **items that you may need to access often**, in the front of your storage unit. Depending on the goods you have stored, you may need to allow for walk ways.

Do not store wet items as they can cause water damage, mould and mildew.

Use a good quality padlock on your storage unit door. Cheap locks may rust or become difficult to open and close. *(Good quality padlocks may be purchased through Eagle Eye Self Storage)*

It is recommended you insure your goods whilst in storage. Speak with your current insurer as many will cover your goods whilst in storage.

Ensure items are secured within the moving truck or trailer, so they cannot shift during transport. Items shifting may damage both your possessions and the vehicle.

As per Road Traffic Rules, **cover items in an open trailer or ute with a net or tarp** to secure them.