

## ***Do Your Homework***

- The most significant thing you will decide when moving is who to trust with all of your worldly possessions. When deciding on a mover,
- Start looking into movers at least 4-6 weeks before the move.
- Make certain the mover is lawfully able to move your property. Verify the mover has authority to transport household goods within Missouri by checking the list of registered movers at [www.modot.org/mcs/HHG](http://www.modot.org/mcs/HHG). If the moving company you chose does not have authority to transport household goods and your property is lost, stolen or damaged, a claim may be difficult.
- Find a reputable mover. Ask your friends, the Better Business Bureau, the Chamber of Commerce, The Missouri Movers Assn. (1-877-328-8804), or the Missouri Attorney General's Consumer Protection Hotline (1-800-392-8222) and review any complaints filed for interstate household goods moves at [www.protectyourmove.gov](http://www.protectyourmove.gov).
- Drive over and check out a mover's facilities.
- Get more than one estimate on the cost of your move. Estimates are free in the State of Missouri. Be careful and don't be lured by a low quote to the point that you miss warning signs.