

MOVING IDEAS

Using An Internet Auction To Help With Your Move

(NAPSA)—More than 40 million Americans move to a new address every year. If you're ever among them, you'll probably have to decide which treasures to keep and which ones to leave behind.

That task may be less daunting (and more lucrative) than many realize, thanks to the Internet—and an ingenious idea.

The Internet has auction sites, such as eBay, that offer an alternative to traditional garage sales. Selling items online can net you more money, save you trouble and reduce the pressure on you when you're pressed for time.

The ingenious idea is the eBay drop-off service. That is, a company that specializes in selling objects on eBay.

Using a service such as AuctionDrop can be easy. You just drop off the things you want to sell at the nearest The UPS Store®. The items should be unpacked, valued at over \$75 and weigh under 25 pounds.

Complete a simple form and the goods are shipped—at no cost to you—to the auction center, where they're professionally photographed, researched and listed for sale. Once the sale is made, you get a check and your unwanted items get a new home.

"There's no sense in moving things you no longer want or use," says Donna Smallin, organizing expert and author of "The One-Minute Organizer Plain & Simple."



There can be an easy and even lucrative way to get rid of things you don't want to take with you when you move: online auctions and drop-off services.

What's more, the money you make selling the stuff you don't want could be used to help make your move a little smoother and cheaper.

When looking through your unwanted treasures and determining what to sell online, bear in mind that best-selling items include:

- computer equipment
- electronic gadgets
- musical instruments
- cameras
- designer purses
- jewelry and accessories
- china and
- collectibles, such as figurines and crystal

To discuss the value of your items and determine if they are appropriate for auctioning, you can call 1-866-385-DROP.

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