

## THE ESSENTIAL PRE-HOLIDAY CHECKLIST

### 1. HOLIDAY BOOKING AND ORGANISATION

The following tips are things to cover off when you first start planning your holiday. Get this stuff sorted up front and you won't be having any last minute panics.

1. Delete browser cookies before you visit holiday websites

Always delete the cookies in your web browser history before you start visiting holiday websites, because prices can increase based on the number of times you revisit a website.

2. Check your passports aren't about to expire
3. Immunisations
4. Book car hire
5. Driving your own car
  - a. Is it fit for purpose?
  - b. Buy country ID Sticker
  - c. Insurance Breakdown cover
6. Arrange Pet Care / Organise House Sitter
7. Book airport Parking
8. Holiday packing checklist
9. Holiday Shopping List

### 2. ONE MONTH BEFORE YOU GO

1. Cancel regular services for the dates you will be away
2. Travel Insurance
3. Buy currency
4. Book transport to and from airport
5. Check luggage is suitable and meets your needs
6. Ask friends or neighbours to keep an eye on your house
7. Use Royal Mail Keepsafe to stop mail piling up
8. Online check-in

### 3. THE WEEK BEFORE YOU GO

1. Double-check the time of check-in or baggage drop
2. Make list of all vital contact details you will need - don't just store it on phone
3. Cancel regular deliveries
4. Sort out mobile roaming

5. Let your bank/credit card provider know your holiday dates
6. Buy food for your travel day
7. Book grocery delivery for your return or stock the freezer

#### **4. THE DAY BEFORE YOU LEAVE**

1. Pack suitcases and hand luggage
2. Make sure you have all your holiday documents
3. Double-check your travel itinerary
4. Empty the rubbish
5. Quick clean
6. Make sure all houseplants are watered
7. Handover essentials to house / pet sitter
8. Security
  - a. Light-timer
  - b. Hide valuables
  - c. Unplug appliances
9. Heating and hot water
10. Cuddly travel buddy for the kids

#### **5. THE DAY OF TRAVEL**

1. Final home check of windows and doors
2. Hand luggage check
3. Carpark selfie
4. Set off ready to enjoy your holiday!