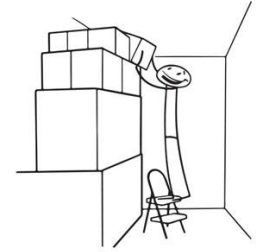


5 Tips to Maximize the Space in Your Storage Unit

Tip 1: Stack to the Ceiling

Stack boxes to the ceiling to make the best use of your storage unit. Pack heavy items at the bottom of boxes to provide a stable base; then place the heaviest boxes at the bottom of the stack. Reduce items down into smaller pieces whenever possible and store larger pieces vertically.



Tip 2: Repurpose

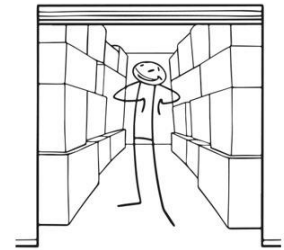
Rethink and repurpose things you are planning to store. You can save room in your storage unit by packing books and CDs inside the fridge, oven, or other items with hollow storage space. (Just leave the doors wedged open for circulation). Also, use empty trash bins to contain garden supplies like shovels and hoses.

Tip 3: Be strategic about placement

Keep your frequently used items at the front of your storage unit. This will help you easily locate and grab them on your next visit. TIP: Make a basic drawing that points out locations for all “must-find-agains.” Then place the drawing in your storage unit. *(Please do not fasten to painted walls.)*

Tip 4: Create an aisle

Allow for a clear path down the center of your self-storage unit. Place items along the walls, but be sure to leave an inch of space for proper air circulation. Don't forget to face box labels towards the aisle so you can easily read them and navigate your things.



Tip 5: Plan ahead

There are a few simple things you can do today to make your next trip to storage quick and easy. Keeping basic tools like screwdrivers, a hammer, pliers and a utility knife around your storage space will pay off big when taking off removables -- like table legs and leaves. Also, a folding step stool will come in handy when accessing items stored above-head height. ***A broom to sweep out the unit upon your departure is also a needed item!***