



# RETIRE WELL, RETIRE HAPPY

Here are some helpful things you should consider when relocating. Whether you are moving within your state, interstate or to another country, having a register of what is important to you will assist you as you research prospective retirement locations. The reasons for relocating and what is important to you will influence what is on your register.

## Here are some helpful questions to consider: Retirement Relocation Register

	Must	Preferred	Bonus
<b>Climate</b> – Increasingly, the grey nomads of Australia and the snowbirds of America are going to the warmer climates for the winter at least. Something in our bones cries out for the sun.			
<b>Cost of living</b> – Will you be on a fixed income and what lifestyle will that afford you? A simple lifestyle or something more luxurious?			
<b>Health care and medical facilities</b> – Do you need to be close to medical facilities like hospitals, doctors and specialists? Do you take medication regularly and would the cost of drugs be a consideration?			
<b>Language</b> – How important is it to you to communicate easily? Would you be able to learn another language?			
<b>Cost of housing</b> – Are you buying real estate or renting? What is your budget?			
<b>Keeping in touch</b> – Will you still need to keep in touch? Is there access to internet and mobile phone networks? Do you sell on eBay or are you trading stocks and options? Is there television and access to cable TV?			
<b>Transport</b> - How far is it to the airport and how easy is it to get there? Do you still drive a car or do you need public transport like buses, trains or taxis?			
<b>Your safety</b> – Is the environment safe, what is the crime rate?			
<b>Sporting and cultural activities</b> – Do you like to swim, go fishing, play tennis or golf? Does lawn bowls take your fancy, do you like to catch the latest films or go to the ballet?			
<b>Pet friendly</b> – Can I bring my pet? Pets are part of the family too.			
<b>Other things that may be important to you could be:</b> -banking, leisure activities in house or close by, volunteering opportunities, proximity to the shops.			

Write your retirement relocation register and if there are two of you, do this together. The next step is to organise your list in order of what is of most importance to you. Now use your list to help find your retirement home.

Property / Location / Country: \_\_\_\_\_

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