

DO'S AND DON'TS OF CALIFORNIA NON-RESIDENCY

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There are many factors in determining whether you are a California resident. However, if you're looking to move out of state, there are a few things to keep in mind.

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DO'S:

- Either sell your California residence or make sure you can support the reason why you still own it for investment or rental purposes
- Set up residency in your new home state and make sure to spend some time there
- Cut ties with any employment related to California
- Make sure to begin either new employment or a business in your new state
- Get a driver's license and register your vehicle in your new state

DON'TS:

- Hold onto your California home and use it for personal use
- Vote in elections
- Have your mail sent to a California address
- Use medical or other professionals that require a physical presence
- Hold onto your California driver's license and keeping any vehicles registered in the state

As stated above, there are many factors in determining if you are or aren't a resident of California. The more Do's you can achieve while minimizing the Don'ts, the better chance you will have if ever audited.

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If you have any questions about the Do's and Don'ts of California non-residency, KROST is here to answer your questions. [Contact us](#) today.



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