

Seamless Transitions: Accessible Moving Services with Butler Umzüge & GEK/BARMER

A compassionate, expert-backed approach to relocation — designed for individuals with care needs, supported by financial empowerment.



CHAPTER 1

The Challenge of Moving with Care Needs

Understanding the unique hurdles that individuals with disabilities and care dependencies face during relocation — and why specialized support makes all the difference.



The Hidden Hurdles of Relocation

More Than Logistics

Moving is widely considered one of life's most stressful events. For individuals with care needs, that stress is compounded by physical, emotional, and logistical challenges that standard moving services are simply not equipped to handle.

What Traditional Services Miss

- Lack of training in accessibility requirements and adaptive equipment
- No patience or protocol for care-dependent routines
- Inability to assess barrier-free suitability of new environments
- Insufficient emotional sensitivity during a major life transition

The Need for Specialized Support

Safe & Accessible Environment

Ensuring the destination home meets barrier-free standards — wide doorways, ramps, roll-in showers, and appropriate layout — is non-negotiable for safety and independence.

Financial Navigation

Understanding available subsidies, completing applications correctly, and coordinating with care insurance providers requires expertise most families don't have on their own.

Logistical Coordination

Synchronizing the move with care schedules, medical appointments, and caregiver transitions demands meticulous planning and sensitivity to individual routines.



More Than Just Moving Boxes

Every move carries emotional weight. For those with care needs, it's also about dignity, safety, and a better quality of life.

CHAPTER 2

Introducing Butler Umzüge GmbH — Your Partner in Accessible Relocation

A moving company built from the ground up to serve the most vulnerable members of our community with expertise, compassion, and precision.



Butler Umzüge GmbH: Specializing in Sensitive Moves

Who We Are

Butler Umzüge GmbH was founded with a clear mission: to provide moving services that truly understand and accommodate the needs of seniors and individuals with care dependencies. We don't simply transport belongings — we facilitate life transitions with care.

Our team is trained not just in moving logistics, but in the human dynamics of care-related relocations — patience, empathy, and precision in equal measure.

Our Core Values

- Compassion in every interaction
- Patience with every individual's pace
- Detail-oriented planning and execution
- Transparent communication throughout
- Commitment to dignity and comfort

Key Services Offered by Butler Umzüge GmbH



Barrier-Free Moving

Deep expertise in handling moves to and from fully accessible apartments, care facilities, and homes — including assessment of barrier-free suitability at the destination.



Comprehensive Support

Full-service packing, furniture assembly and disassembly, and professional decluttering — all tailored to the physical and emotional needs of care-dependent individuals.



Experienced Trained Team

Every team member receives specialized training to assist with the unique physical and logistical requirements of seniors and individuals with varying care grades.



Free Cost Estimates

Butler Umzüge GmbH provides detailed, transparent cost estimates at no charge and without travel fees within Berlin — essential documentation for BARMER applications.

Care and Precision in Every Step

Our team treats every move as a sacred responsibility — handling not just furniture, but the foundations of someone's life with utmost respect.



CHAPTER 3

Financial Empowerment Through GEK Krankenkasse (BARMER)

Discover how the merger of GEK Krankenkasse and BARMER Ersatzkasse unlocks powerful financial support — making your move not just possible, but financially manageable.



The GEK Krankenkasse & BARMER Partnership

A Unified Force for Care Insurance

GEK Krankenkasse has merged with BARMER Ersatzkasse, now operating as one cohesive entity under the BARMER umbrella — one of Germany's largest and most respected statutory health and care insurance providers.

This merger consolidates resources and expertise, making financial support for care-related moves more accessible and streamlined than ever before for eligible policyholders across Germany.

What This Means for You

- Consolidated application process through BARMER
- Broader network of support and resources
- Continued eligibility for former GEK members
- Nationwide coverage and assistance

Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen: Improving Living Environments

What Does It Mean?

Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen translates to "measures to improve the home care environment." It is a legal entitlement under German social care law (SGB XI) that provides financial aid for modifications or relocations that directly improve home-based care conditions.

Who Qualifies?

Individuals who hold a recognized **Pflegegrad (care grade) of 1 or higher** and are planning a move that demonstrably improves their ability to receive or provide care in the home setting.

What Moves Qualify?

Relocating to a **barrier-free apartment**, moving closer to a primary caregiver, or transitioning to a home that better accommodates care needs — all are recognized qualifying scenarios.

Financial Aid for a Better Home

Germany's care insurance system recognizes that the right living environment is foundational to quality care — and it backs that belief with real financial support.



Maximum Financial Support Available

€4,000

Per Person Subsidy

Maximum support from the care insurance fund per eligible individual for qualifying moves that improve the home care environment.

€4,180

Current BARMER Maximum

BARMER's updated subsidy ceiling for *Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen* — covering a substantial portion of typical moving costs.

1+

Minimum Care Grade

A Pflegegrad of 1 or higher is required to be eligible for this financial support — applicable to the vast majority of care-dependent individuals.

These figures represent a transformative financial lifeline, often covering the majority — or even the entirety — of typical relocation costs for care-dependent individuals in Germany.

Understanding Eligibility and Requirements

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Care Grade (Pflegegrad)

The applicant must hold a formally recognized care grade of **1 or higher**, as assessed by the Medizinischer Dienst (MD). This is the foundational eligibility requirement.

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Purpose of the Move

The relocation must **demonstrably improve the living environment** for care purposes — such as moving to a barrier-free home or closer to a primary caregiver. Aesthetic improvements alone are not covered.

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Prior Approval is Mandatory

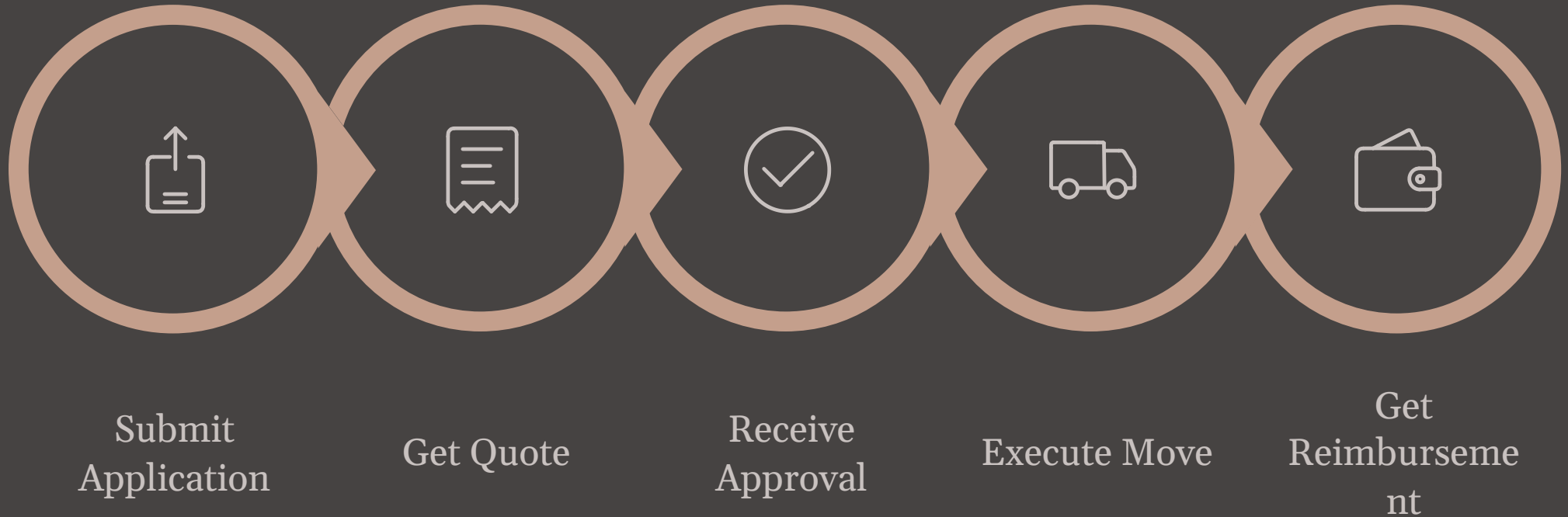
Applications must be **submitted and approved by BARMER before the move takes place**. Retroactive applications are generally not accepted. This step is critical and time-sensitive.

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Detailed Cost Estimate

A **comprehensive written cost estimate** from a qualified moving company such as Butler Umzüge GmbH must accompany the application as supporting documentation.

The Application Process at a Glance



The process is structured and predictable — but timing is everything. Approval **must** be secured before the move begins. Butler Umzüge GmbH supports clients through every stage of this process.

CHAPTER 4

The Seamless Process — From Application to Arrival

A step-by-step breakdown of how Butler Umzüge GmbH and BARMER work together to make your accessible move as smooth and stress-free as possible.



Step 1: Application and Approval

Before Anything Else

The single most important step is submitting your formal application to BARMER **before** the move occurs. This cannot be overstated — retroactive approval is rarely granted, and moving before receiving authorization will forfeit your eligibility for reimbursement entirely.

What You'll Need

- Completed application form from BARMER
- Proof of current Pflegegrad (care grade certificate)
- Medical or social worker documentation supporting the move
- Detailed written cost estimate from Butler Umzüge GmbH
- Description of how the move improves the care situation

Step 2: Obtaining a Detailed Quote

Contact Butler Umzüge GmbH

Reach out early in the planning process. A comprehensive cost estimate is required for your BARMER application, and Butler Umzüge's team will conduct a thorough assessment of your specific moving requirements.

Completely Free of Charge

Butler Umzüge GmbH provides detailed, itemized cost estimates at **no charge** and with **no travel fees** within the Berlin area — removing financial risk from the planning phase entirely.

What the Quote Covers

The estimate includes packing services, furniture disassembly and assembly, transportation, specialized equipment for accessibility, and any additional support services required for your specific situation.



Clarity and Transparency in Every Estimate

No hidden costs. No surprises. Every line item is documented to support your BARMER application and give you complete confidence in the process.

Step 3: The Move Itself

Expert Execution

With BARMER approval in hand and the quote confirmed, Butler Umzüge GmbH's specialized team coordinates and executes the entire move. From careful packing of personal items to assembling furniture in the new accessible home, every detail is handled with professionalism.

Specialized equipment — including tools for safely moving mobility aids, medical equipment, and adaptive furniture — ensures nothing is damaged or disrupted.

Your Comfort is Priority

- Flexible scheduling around care routines
- Calm, reassuring communication throughout
- Respectful handling of personal belongings
- Coordination with caregivers and family members
- Set-up of the new home for immediate comfort

Step 4: Reimbursement and Direct Billing

→ Move Completed

Once the move is successfully executed according to the approved plan, all documentation is compiled and submitted to BARMER for reimbursement processing.

→ Reimbursement Processed

BARMER reimburses eligible costs up to the approved maximum of €4,000–€4,180 per person. Reimbursement is typically processed within a few weeks of submission.

→ Direct Billing Option

In select cases, costs can be **settled directly** between Butler Umzüge GmbH and BARMER — reducing out-of-pocket burden on the individual and simplifying the financial process entirely.



From Chaos to Comfort

From the first box packed to the last picture hung — Butler Umzüge GmbH transforms the most daunting transition into a manageable, even joyful, new beginning.

CHAPTER 5

Real-World Impact and Success Stories

The true measure of this partnership is found not in policy documents or subsidy tables — but in the lives it transforms. Here are the stories that matter most.



Case Study: Mr. Schmidt's Transition

"I didn't know where to begin. Butler Umzüge handled everything — the quote, the paperwork guidance, the move itself. I felt supported every step of the way."

The Situation

Mr. Schmidt, holding **Pflegegrad 2**, needed to relocate closer to his daughter who provides his daily care. His existing home was not barrier-free and created safety risks.

The Process

Butler Umzüge GmbH provided a detailed cost estimate, guided the family through the BARMER application process, and managed the complete move from start to finish.

The Outcome

The **€4,000 subsidy** covered the majority of moving costs. Mr. Schmidt now lives in a fully accessible apartment just minutes from his daughter — safer, happier, and better cared for.



A New Beginning, Made Possible

With the right support, the right expertise, and the right financial tools — transitions like Mr. Schmidt's are not just possible, they're transformative.

Beyond Financial Aid: The Value of Specialized Service

The Human Element

What no subsidy can fully quantify is the emotional reassurance that comes from working with a team that truly understands care-related moves. For Mr. Schmidt and his family, knowing that experienced, empathetic professionals were handling the transition reduced anxiety significantly.

Efficiency That Protects

Butler Umzüge GmbH's systematic approach minimized disruption to Mr. Schmidt's care routines. The move was executed efficiently, with minimal time spent in transition — critical for individuals who depend on consistent care schedules and familiar environments for their well-being.

Statistics Speak Volumes

€900–€1,400

Typical Senior Move Cost

Average range for a senior or care-related move within Germany, depending on distance, volume, and scope of services required.

€4,180

BARMER Subsidy Maximum

Maximum per-person subsidy available through BARMER for qualifying *Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen* — often exceeding typical moving costs.

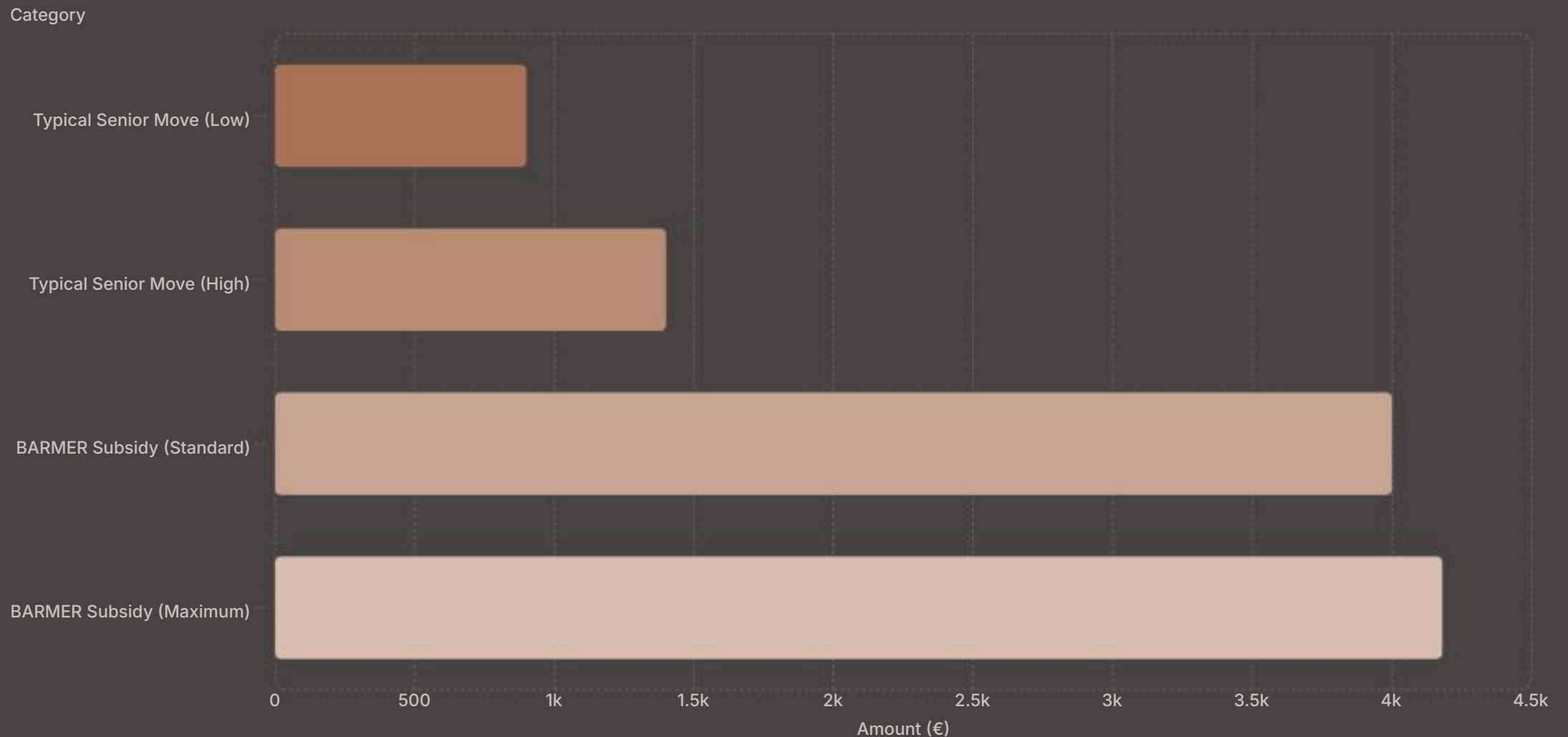
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Specialized Focus

Butler Umzüge GmbH dedicates its services entirely to senior and care-related moves — offering packing, assembly, decluttering, and full logistical support.

- ✔ In many cases, the BARMER subsidy fully covers — and even exceeds — the total cost of a professional care-related move, making the transition completely cost-neutral for eligible individuals.

Bridging the Gap: Financial Support Meets Specialized Service



The data tells a compelling story: BARMER's subsidy for *Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen* significantly outpaces typical moving costs, meaning eligible individuals can relocate with **little to no out-of-pocket expense** when working with Butler Umzüge GmbH.



CHAPTER 6

Frequently Asked Questions & Key Takeaways

Clear, honest answers to the questions we hear most often — ensuring you have everything you need to take confident action.

Q: What if my move is purely for aesthetic reasons?

 Subsidies under *Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen* are strictly tied to improvements that directly enhance home-based care conditions.

If a move is motivated primarily by personal taste — a desire for a nicer neighborhood, a larger kitchen, or updated interiors — it does not qualify for BARMER support. The move must have a **documented, direct connection to improving the care situation**: barrier-free access, proximity to caregivers, or structural suitability for care delivery are the key criteria.

Your care insurance advisor or social worker can help assess whether your planned move meets the qualifying threshold before you apply.

Q: Do I need a care grade to apply?

Yes — Pflegegrad is Required

A formally recognized **Pflegegrad (care grade) of 1 or higher** is a non-negotiable prerequisite for accessing the *Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen* subsidy. The Pflegegrad is assigned by the Medizinischer Dienst following a formal assessment.

Not Yet Assessed?

If you or a family member has care needs but no formal Pflegegrad, applying for assessment should be the first step. Contact BARMER directly to initiate the Pflegegrad assessment process — it is free of charge and your gateway to all care insurance benefits.

Q: Can Butler Umzüge GmbH Help with the Application?

Detailed Cost Estimates for Applications

Butler Umzüge GmbH provides the comprehensive, itemized cost estimates that BARMER requires as supporting documentation — formatted precisely to meet application standards.

Guidance Throughout the Process

While Butler Umzüge GmbH is a moving company — not a legal or insurance advisor — their experienced team can guide clients through the documentation requirements and connect them with appropriate resources.

Coordination with BARMER

In cases involving direct billing, Butler Umzüge GmbH can liaise directly with BARMER, reducing administrative burden on the individual and their family.

Q: What if I'm Not in Berlin?

Berlin: Our Home Base

Free, no-travel-fee cost estimates are offered within the Berlin metropolitan area — our primary service region for residential and care-related moves.

Nationwide Capabilities

Butler Umzüge GmbH is not limited to Berlin. The company handles **nationwide office and commercial relocations**, and can discuss residential care-related moving services across Germany. Contact the team directly to discuss your location and specific requirements — solutions can be tailored for clients throughout the country.

Your Questions, Answered

We believe that informed clients make empowered decisions. No question is too small — reach out to Butler Umzüge GmbH or your BARMER advisor at any stage of the process.



Key Takeaway 1: Empowerment Through Partnership

"The collaboration between Butler Umzüge GmbH and BARMER represents something genuinely powerful: a private sector specialist and a public care insurance institution working in concert to solve one of the most pressing challenges facing Germany's aging population."

This partnership means that individuals with care needs are no longer forced to choose between staying in an unsuitable home or bearing the full financial burden of relocation. The system is designed to support you — and with the right partner, navigating it is far simpler than it appears.

Key Takeaway 2: Specialized Care for a Smooth Transition

Expertise

Deep knowledge of barrier-free requirements, accessibility standards, and care-related moving logistics sets Butler Umzüge GmbH apart from general movers.

Sensitivity

Every team member approaches each move with the emotional intelligence and patience that care-dependent individuals and their families deserve.

Professionalism

From the initial estimate to the final delivery, Butler Umzüge GmbH operates with the highest standards of transparency, reliability, and service quality.

Key Takeaway 3: Financial Support is Available

- ✔ Up to €4,180 per person is available through BARMER for qualifying moves — don't leave this support unclaimed.

Too many eligible individuals and families are unaware of the financial support available to them through *Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen*. Moving costs should never be the deciding factor in whether someone with care needs can access a more suitable, safer, and more supportive living environment.

Start Early

Begin the BARMER application process as soon as you identify the need to move. Approval must precede the move — and processing takes time.

Get Your Quote First

Contact Butler Umzüge GmbH for a free cost estimate — this document is essential for your application and costs you nothing.

Don't Self-Disqualify

Many people assume they won't qualify. Always consult with BARMER directly — eligibility is broader than commonly assumed.



Moving Forward, Together

The partnership between Butler Umzüge GmbH and BARMER is more than a business arrangement — it's a commitment to ensuring that every person, regardless of care needs, can move toward a better life.

A Brighter Future, One Move at a Time

Butler Umzüge GmbH and GEK/BARMER are united in their commitment to making accessible, supported, and financially manageable relocation a reality for every individual with care needs in Germany.

Contact Butler Umzüge GmbH

Request your free cost estimate today and take the first step toward your new, accessible home. Available in Berlin — and across Germany by arrangement.

Contact BARMER

Speak with a BARMER advisor to understand your eligibility for *Wohnumfeldverbessernde Maßnahmen* and begin your application process — before you move.

Begin Your Journey

A more suitable, safer, and better-supported living environment is within reach. The partnership, the expertise, and the financial tools are all in place — for you.

