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## REAL ESTATE TRANSACTION CHECKLIST

*Use this handy checklist with your agent to ensure a smooth and successful transaction!*

**Pre-Listing • Listing Presentation • Listing Action Plan  
Marketing Checklist • Initial Offer Checklist • Under Contract Checklist**

### **Seller's Information:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Ph: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE LISTED: \_\_\_\_\_ LIST PRICE: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#### **Pre-Listing**

- ☐ 1. Order and Review Property Profile with Assessor's Tax Information
- ☐ 2. Note Ownership, Legal Name on Title and Legal Description of Property
- ☐ 3. Prepare Market Study
- ☐ 4. Enter into Computer Database
- ☐ 5. Send Confirmation for Listing Appointment
- ☐ 6. Prepare Personal Listing Information Package for Seller
- ☐ 7. Deliver Pre-Listing Information Package to Seller
- ☐ 8. Call to Confirm Appointment with Seller,  
Ask Pre-Appointment Questions
- ☐ 9. Present Market Study to Seller, Including Comparable Solds

#### **Listing Presentation**

- ☐ 10. Present Marketing Plan to Seller
- ☐ 11. Discuss Preparation Needed to Market Effectively
- ☐ 12. Plan Goals with Seller
- ☐ 13. Present Plan of Action to Seller
- ☐ 14. Suggest Financial Alternatives
- ☐ 15. Seller's Signature on Listing Contract and Addendum

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## Listing Action Plan

- ☐ 16. Advise Staff of New Listing
- ☐ 17. Obtain Owner's House Plans, If Applicable
- ☐ 18. Measure Interior Room Sizes
- ☐ 19. Measure Exterior Home Dimensions
- ☐ 20. Review Lot Size, Land Use and Zoning for Property
- ☐ 21. Organize File in Proper Order
- ☐ 22. Make Contact Lists for Seller
- ☐ 23. Refer Seller to Agent in the Destination City
- ☐ 24. Order "Just Listed" Labels for Neighborhood Marketing
- ☐ 25. Call Owner to Schedule Caravan or MLS Tour
- ☐ 26. Prepare Feedback Fax or Email for Caravan/Tour Participants
- ☐ 27. Prepare Property Disclosures
- ☐ 28. Prepare Property Data Sheet for Office
- ☐ 29. Prepare Showing Instructions and Notify Office
- ☐ 30. Obtain Loan Company and Loan Number from Seller
- ☐ 31. Verify Current Loan Information with Lender
- ☐ 32. Research Loan Pre-Payment Penalties or Loan Assumption Requirements
- ☐ 33. Obtain Second Loan Company and Loan Number from Seller
- ☐ 34. Verify Second Loan Information with Lender
- ☐ 35. Review Most Recent Appraisal, If Available
- ☐ 36. Research Local Schools Information
- ☐ 37. Contact Homeowner Association Manager
- ☐ 38. Research Homeowner Association Fees
- ☐ 39. Order Copy of Association Bylaws
- ☐ 40. Obtain List of Homeowner Association Services
- ☐ 41. Obtain Copy of Complex Layout
- ☐ 42. Have Extra Key/Opening Instructions for Lock Box
- ☐ 43. Lock Box Installed
- ☐ 44. For Sale Sign Installed
- ☐ 45. Brochure Box Installed
- ☐ 46. Research Utilities/Electric Bills, Water Fees or Rates
- ☐ 47. Research Sewer/Septic System
- ☐ 48. Confirm Well Status with Well Report (in Specific Areas)
- ☐ 49. Determine Well Use as Household or Domestic
- ☐ 50. Confirm Well Production
- ☐ 51. Research Natural Gas Availability
- ☐ 52. Verify Propane Tank Lease Term and Rate
- ☐ 53. Obtain Soil Test Results
- ☐ 54. Obtain CC&Rs
- ☐ 55. Identify Most Significant Features
- ☐ 56. Identify All Amenities
- ☐ 57. Take Color Photos
- ☐ 58. Review and File Power of Attorney
- ☐ 59. Research and Note All Pro-Rations
- ☐ 60. Verify Rents and Deposits
- ☐ 61. Make and File Copy of Leases
- ☐ 62. Coordinate Showings with Tenant
- ☐ 63. Verify First Right of Refusal
- ☐ 64. Note Repairs and Maintenance
- ☐ 65. Provide Home Warranty Information



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- ☐ 66. Complete Home Warranty Application
- ☐ 67. Mail Home Warranty Application
- ☐ 68. Receive and File Completed Home Warranty
- ☐ 69. Enter New Listing into MLS System

## **Marketing Checklist**

- ☐ 70. Add Property to Active Inventory List
- ☐ 71. Confirm Owner Has Copy of Listing Agreement
- ☐ 72. Proofread MLS Information
- ☐ 73. Arrange Home Staging, If Necessary
- ☐ 74. Prepare Marketing Flyer
- ☐ 75. Deliver Marketing Flyer to Seller for Review
- ☐ 76. Deliver Marketing Flyer to Brochure Box
- ☐ 77. Distribute Flyer to All Agents in Target Areas
- ☐ 78. Mail Flyer to Top 10% of Agents in Area
- ☐ 79. Add Property to Website, If Applicable
- ☐ 80. Schedule Broker's Caravan/Tour
- ☐ 81. Promote Property at Board Of Realtors® Meeting
- ☐ 82. Mail "Just Listed" Announcements to Neighborhood
- ☐ 83. Plan Print Advertising Campaign
- ☐ 84. Write Ads for Newspaper
- ☐ 85. Mail Copy of Newspaper Ad to Seller
- ☐ 86. Write Ad for Home Magazines
- ☐ 87. Mail Copy of Home Magazines to Seller
- ☐ 88. Review and File Loan Information
- ☐ 89. Update Loan Information in MLS, If Necessary
- ☐ 90. Send Feedback Faxes or Email to Agents After Showings
- ☐ 91. Review Feedback with Sellers Weekly
- ☐ 92. Review Weekly Market Study
- ☐ 93. Schedule Regular Calls to Seller to Discuss Marketing and Pricing
- ☐ 94. Pre-Qualify All Buyers, When Possible
- ☐ 95. Enter Price Change in MLS
- ☐ 96. Announce Price Change to All Agents
- ☐ 97. Change Price on Flyers
- ☐ 98. Deliver New Flyers, as Needed

## **Initial Offer Checklist**

- ☐ 99. Offer Received
- ☐ 100. Contact Agent to Discuss Buyer's Qualification and Offer
- ☐ 101. Review Offer with Seller
- ☐ 102. Present All Needed Forms to Complete the Sale

## **Under Contract Checklist**

- ☐ 103. Amend, Counter or Accept Offer
- ☐ 104. Deliver Signed Offer to Other Agent
- ☐ 105. All Parties Sign Contract
- ☐ 106. Provide Copy of Contract to Seller
- ☐ 107. Provide Copy of Contract to Selling Agent
- ☐ 108. Place Copy of Contract in Office File
- ☐ 109. Deliver Original Document to Agent
- ☐ 110. Notify Escrow of Sale/Open Escrow
- ☐ 111. Collect Earnest Money and Deposit in Escrow Account



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- ☐ 112. Deliver Copy of Contract and Addendums to Escrow Officer
- ☐ 113. Confer with Seller Regarding Additional Showings
- ☐ 114. Discuss Game Plan with Other Agent and Lender
- ☐ 115. Fax/Deliver Copy of Contract and Addendums to Lender
- ☐ 116. Confirm Purchaser Is Pre-Qualified
- ☐ 117. Review Credit Report Results/Review with Seller
- ☐ 118. Assist in Arranging Financing
- ☐ 119. Track and Receive Preliminary Report or Commitment from Title Company
- ☐ 120. Review Preliminary Report or Commitment
- ☐ 121. Note Title Insurance Requirements/Discuss with Seller
- ☐ 122. Satisfy All Title Insurance Requirements
- ☐ 123. Confirm Buyer Receipt of Preliminary Report or Commitment
- ☐ 124. Confirm Other Agent Receipt of Preliminary Report or Commitment
- ☐ 125. Schedule Appraisal
- ☐ 126. Provide Comparable Sales for Appraiser
- ☐ 127. Follow up on Appraisal/Appeal for Increase If Appraisal Is Low
- ☐ 128. Confirm Verifications of Deposit and Employment Have Been Returned
- ☐ 129. Contact Lender Weekly to Track Processing
- ☐ 130. Relay Loan Status to Seller
- ☐ 131. Confirm Buyer's Hazard Insurance
- ☐ 132. Provide Home Warranty for Closing
- ☐ 133. Coordinate Home Inspection and Review Home Inspection Results
- ☐ 134. Negotiate Payment and Completion of All Required Repairs
- ☐ 135. Complete Inspection Requirements
- ☐ 136. Order Septic Inspection
- ☐ 137. Receive and Review Septic Report
- ☐ 138. Deliver Copy of Septic Inspection Report to Lender and Buyer
- ☐ 139. File Copy of Septic Inspection
- ☐ 140. Order Well Flow Test
- ☐ 141. Receive and Review Well Flow Test Report
- ☐ 142. Deliver Well Flow Test Report to Lender and Buyer
- ☐ 143. File Copy of Well Flow Test Report
- ☐ 144. Order Water Quality Test
- ☐ 145. Receive and Review Water Quality Test
- ☐ 146. Deliver Water Quality Test to Lender and Buyer
- ☐ 147. File Copy of Water Test
- ☐ 148. Loan Approved
- ☐ 149. Confirm Closing Date/Discuss Scheduling with Escrow Officer
- ☐ 150. Coordinate the Closing with Seller's Next Purchase
- ☐ 151. Schedule Closing Time and Location with Seller
- ☐ 152. Discuss Closing Time Schedule with Lender
- ☐ 153. Discuss Closing Time Schedule with Other Agent
- ☐ 154. Schedule Closing Time with Buyer
- ☐ 155. Schedule Final Walk Through for Buyer
- ☐ 156. Request Closing Figures from Escrow Officer
- ☐ 157. Receive and Review Closing Figures
- ☐ 158. Request Closing Documents
- ☐ 159. Add Seller to "Past Client" Marketing Program
- ☐ 160. Ask Seller for Referrals



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