

Home Buyer Checklist

The Home Buyer Checklist identifies some of the important factors to consider when choosing a home. In addition to an affordable sales price, you will also want to be sure that the neighborhood and house meet the needs of your family.

Take this checklist along when you go shopping for your house. It will help you evaluate the neighborhoods and assess the availability and condition of various features of up to three homes in a side-by-side comparison.

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Property Address			
Asking Price	\$	\$	\$
Real Estate Taxes	\$	\$	\$

The Neighborhood

- Near Work
- Near Schools
- Near Shopping
- Near Expressways
- Near Public Transportation
- Near Doctors / Dentists
- Near Churches
- Garbage Collection
- Street Lights
- Sidewalks
- Streets / Alleys Well Maintained
- Traffic Volume
- Parks
- Neighbor's Property Well Maintained
- All Utilities Installed
- Neighborhood / Restrictions
- Near Trains / Airports
- Area Zoned Residential
- Near Industry
- Proposed Special Assessments
- Environment Concerns / Influences

The House

- Age of House
- No. of Stories
- Wood Frame
- Brick Frame
- Wood & Brick Frame
- Aluminum Siding
- Roof Condition
- Foundation Condition
- Overall Exterior Condition
- Garage Size
- No. of Bathrooms
- No. of Closets
- No. of Bedrooms
- Oil Heat
- Gas Heat
- Electric Heat
- Hot Water Heat
- Insulation

Central Air Conditioning
Energy-Conservation Features
Age of Heating System
Age of Water Heater
Capacity of Water Heater
Age of Electrical Wiring
Plumbing Condition
Estimated Water Bill
Estimated Heating Bill
Estimated Electric Bill
Living Room
Fireplace
Separate Dining Room
Family Room
Drapes - No. of Rooms
Carpeting - No. of Rooms
Kitchen Eating Area
Refrigerator
Stove / Oven (Gas / Electric)
Garbage Disposal
Dishwasher
Broken Windows
Storm Windows / Screens
Washer / Dryer Outlets
Laundry Space
Finished Basement
Attic
Sump Pump / Drainage
Connected to Sewer System
Patio
Backyard Fence
Landscaping
Property Boundaries
Security (dead bolts, detectors)
Building Code
Compliance
Ability to Expand / Enlarge House

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