

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			