

## House Hunting Checklist

Home Location: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Asking Price: \_\_\_\_\_  
Annual Property Taxes: \_\_\_\_\_  
Mortgage Terms: \_\_\_\_\_  
Zoning Restrictions (ask the REALTOR®): \_\_\_\_\_

## The Home's Exterior

### Lot Details

Lot size/shape: \_\_\_\_\_  
Landscaping condition: good/moderate/poor  
Position of home on lot (compass directions): \_\_\_\_\_  
Driveway: private/shared  
General condition: good/moderate/poor  
Front yard: sm/med/lg  
Side yard: sm/med/lg  
Rear yard: sm/med/lg  
Mature trees/shrubs: yes/no  
Curb appeal: good/moderate/poor  
Condition of walkways: good/moderate/poor

### Structure Details

Number of storeys: 1/2/3/4  
Type of home: \_\_\_\_\_  
Siding: brick/brick veneer/wood/aluminum/combination  
Condition of siding/paint: good/moderate/poor  
Garage: attached/detached/one-car/two-car  
Parking: uncovered/one paid space/two paid space  
Front porch: covered/enclosed  
Fenced front yard: yes/no  
Fenced back yard: yes/no  
Eaves troughs and downspouts: good/moderate/poor  
Patio/deck: good/moderate/poor  
Swimming pool: above/below/indoor/outdoor/none  
General pool condition: good/moderate/poor  
Storage shed: yes/no  
Type of roof: \_\_\_\_\_  
General roof condition: good/moderate/poor

Recent roof repairs: yes/no

Roof age: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of foundation: raised well above ground/visible cracks

## **The Home's Interior**

### **Doors & Windows**

Windows: single pane/thermopane

General window condition: good/moderate/poor Door

locks/latches work: yes/no

### **Kitchen**

General size/colours: \_\_\_\_\_

Eat-in area: yes/no

Cooking food/prep island: yes/no

Sufficient cupboard space: yes/no

Sufficient counter space: yes/no

Countertop type/condition: \_\_\_\_\_

Floor type/condition: \_\_\_\_\_

Pantry: yes/no

Sink: single/double

Appliances included: yes/no

General appliance condition: good/moderate/poor

### **Family/Living Room**

Fireplace: yes/no

Living room floor type/condition: \_\_\_\_\_

Separate dining room: yes/no

Dining room floor type/condition: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Other Home Details**

Square footage: \_\_\_\_\_

Foyer closet: yes/no

Soundproof & fireproof shared walls: yes/no

### **Bathrooms**

No. of Bathrooms: \_\_\_\_\_

Ensuite bathroom: yes/no

Floor type/condition: \_\_\_\_\_

## Bedrooms

No. of Bedrooms: \_\_\_\_\_

Floor type/condition: \_\_\_\_\_ Closets:  
yes/no

## Basement

Adequate headroom: yes/no

Finished: yes/no Door  
to outside: yes/no

Utility area (laundry):  
yes/no Storage areas:  
yes/no

Cracks in walls/floor: yes/no

Drained or sump pump: \_\_\_\_\_

Evidence of flood/moisture: yes/no

Recent renovations: yes/no

General condition: \_\_\_\_\_

## Electrical System

General condition: \_\_\_\_\_

Sufficient outlets: yes/no

Amperage: \_\_\_\_\_

Switches: fuses/circuit breakers

Wiring: aluminum/copper wiring Meets  
current codes: yes/no

## Plumbing

Copper pipes: yes/no

Signs of leaks: yes/no

Recent repairs: yes/no

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Meets current codes: yes/no

## Water Service

Source: city/well

Well: dug/drilled

Does well ever run dry: yes/no

Capacity: \_\_\_\_\_

Age of pump: \_\_\_\_\_

Size of feeder line from well to house: \_\_\_\_\_

Water agreement: yes/no

Water quality tested for potability: yes/no **Sewage/Septic System**

Type: sewage/septic

Where's the septic field: \_\_\_\_\_

Holding tank & system recently checked: yes/no

### **Heating**

Type: oil/gas/electric/steam/baseboard/heat pump/combination

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Output: \_\_\_\_\_

Recent repairs: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Air Conditioning**

Type: window/central

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

Size: \_\_\_\_\_

Recent repairs: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Hot Water Heater**

Contract: leased/owned

Type: gas/electric

No. of gallons: \_\_\_\_\_

Efficiency: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Insulation**

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Rating: \_\_\_\_\_

Asbestos or UFFI: yes/no

### **Community**

**Check all that apply. Close to:**

- Schools
- City services  
(fire/police/hospital)
- Medical (doctor, dentist)
- Shopping (grocery,  
pharmacy)
- Parks
- Playgrounds
- Day care
- Recreation/community  
centre

- Public swimming pool
- Public tennis courts
- Golf course
- Skating arena
- Hockey arena
- Restaurants
- Gas station
- Theatres
- Public library
- Major roads/highways
- Places of worship
- Possible problems: train tracks/congestion/on busy or noisy main road

### **Local Neighbourhood**

#### **Check all that apply:**

- Urban/suburban/rural
- Older/newer
- Age group of homeowners: \_\_\_\_\_
- Quiet streets
- Adequate streetlights
- Visible power/telephone lines
- Well-cared for homes/yards
- Sidewalks
- Space between homes
- Adequate street parking/overnight parking restrictions
- Possible problems: poorly maintained roads
- Type of homes: \_\_\_\_\_