



Homebuyer's Checklist

As challenging as the mortgage process can be, shopping for and finding the perfect home can also be quite an adventure. You need to find a home that meets your wants, needs and price range. It is important to develop a timeline to achieve your house hunting goals, making sure to give yourself plenty of room to think things through. Even if you use an agent, you need to evaluate the properties that you see on your own by keeping accurate notes and records. When going on your house hunting trips, you may want to consider bringing a camera for neighborhoods and open houses, a calculator, a map of the area (if available), and a home comparison chart.

We have developed the checklist below to help you keep track of the properties you visit. Print it out and take it along with you when you go looking at homes. By checking off and rating the specific features of each home and neighborhood you visit, you'll find it easier to compare your choices when it's time to make your final decision. You can also read more about [finding your first home](#), including the advantage of getting preapproved, and tips on making an offer.

Property Information	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Location			
Street			
City, State, Zip			
Realtor			
Lot Size			
Age of House			
Square Feet			
Asking Price			

Type of Home	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Single Family			
Multi Family			
Condominium			
Townhouse			
One Floor or Two Floors			

Style of Home	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Split Level			
Bi-Level			
Ranch			
Contemporary			
Victorian			
Cape Cod			

Material	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Brick			
Stucco			
Stone			
Vinyl Siding			

Garage	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Number of Cars			
Attached			
Detached			
Carport			

Features	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Number of Bedrooms			
Number of Bathrooms			
Family room			
Formal Dining Room			
Laundry/Utility Room			
Office or Workshop			
Storage			
Fireplace			
Jacuzzi/Spa			
Finished Basement			
Attic			
Pool			
Yard			
View			
Air Conditioning			
Other Amenities			



Rate the Conditions of the following as Excellent (E), Good (G), Fair (F) or Poor (P).

Exterior	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Walls	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Trim	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Windows	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Roof	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Gutters/Downspouts	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Chimmney	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Entrances/Locks/ Alarms	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Electrical Outlets	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P

Landscaping	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Walks	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Patio	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Driveway	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Lawn	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Trees/Bushes	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Fencing	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Other	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P

Interior	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Walls	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Woodwork	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Wall Covering	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Paint	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Ceilings	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Floors	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Carpeting	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Doors	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Windows/ Window Treatments	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Lighting	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P
Electrical Outlets	E G F P	E G F P	E G F P

Plumbing	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Materials Used in pipes and drains			
Age			
Do toilets work?	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Do faucets work?	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Signs of leaks or drips?	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No

Water Supply	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Source	Public/Well/Cistern	Public/Well/Cistern	Public/Well/Cistern
Is it adequate and safe?	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Adequate Water Pressure	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No



Waste Disposal	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Type	Public/Septic/Other	Public/Septic/Other	Public/Septic/Other
Is system adequate and sanitary?	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No

Heating	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
System	Oil/Gas/Other	Oil/Gas/Other	Oil/Gas/Other
Special energy saving features?	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Warranty	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Monthly Costs			

Air Conditioning	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
System	Central/Window	Central/Window	Central/Window
Age of Units			

Insulation	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Walls	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Floors	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Attic	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Type of Insulation			

Wiring	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Type	Copper/Aluminum/Other	Copper/Aluminum/Other	Copper/Aluminum/Other
Adequate Amperage	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No

Neighborhood	1st Home	2nd Home	3rd Home
Type	Suburban/Urban/Rural		
Traffic	High/Med/Low	High/Med/Low	High/Med/Low
Quality of Schools			
Crime Rate			
Shops, Hospitals and Transportation	Yes/No	Yes/No	Yes/No
Commute Time			