

# House Hunting Checklist

**This worksheet is not intended to be all inclusive. The intent is to provide helpful suggestions to make your transition as smooth and stress free as possible. Save this worksheet to your computer and tailor to your needs.**

House Information	Excellent	Good	Fair	Inspection
Address:				
Agent:				
Asking Price:				
Lot Size:				
Square Feet:				
Cost per square foot:				
Number of rooms:				
Number of stories:				
Age of house:				
Garage / carport:				
House history - reportable damage / risk?				
Yard	Excellent	Good	Fair	Inspection
Usable size:				
Fence and type:				
Landscaped:				
Well-lighted:				
Patio / terrace:				
Porch / deck:				
Driveway:				
Sidewalks:				
Pool / water features:				
Other:				
Structure and Exterior	Excellent	Good	Fair	Inspection
General condition:				
Frame description:				
Exterior description:				
Foundation:				
Fireplace(s), flue, chimney, and thermostat(s):				
Walls, floors, and carpentry:				

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Roof type, age, condition:				
Gutter and downspouts:				
Stairs and handrails:				
Doors, windows, and storms:				
Windows / screens:				
Insulation and weatherstripping:				
Flooring:				
Moisture or water problems:				
Radon, lead and asbestos testing:				
Driveway, sidewalks, patio:				
<b>Neighborhood</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Inspection</b>
Streets:				
Condition of neighboring property:				
Sewers, flood control (flood zone):				
Noises, visual impacts, bad odors:				
Zoning:				
Electrical lines, water towers, etc.:				
Nearest industrial zone:				
Garbage collections:				
Street lighting:				
Fire hydrant?				
Traffic:				
Proximity to:				
work:				
schools:				
shopping:				
fire/police:				
public transit:				
highways:				
hospital:				
physicians:				
parks:				
recreation and gym:				

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place of worship:				
Other:				
<b>Utilities, Taxes and Services</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Inspection</b>
Typical Utility Bills:				
Cable or satellite for TV/internet/phone?				
Adequate cellular towers for service coverage?				
Gas or oil:				
Electricity:				
Water & sewer:				
Trash pick-up:				
Municipal water or well water?				
Sewer or septic?				
Assessments:				
Homeowner Association dues?				
Property tax:				
Home insurance:				
Renter insurance:				
Flood insurance:				
<b>Interior Rooms (Size, Closets, Windows, Outlets, Flooring, Comments)</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Inspection</b>
Floor plan layout (note: use graph paper and a tape measure; draw out size of furniture, appliances, rugs):				
Ceiling height:				
Living room:				
Dining room:				
Family room:				
Theater room:				
Den / library:				
Office:				
Entry / hall:				
Sun or multi-season room:				
Master bedroom:				
Bedroom 1:				
Bedroom 2:				

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Bedroom 3:				
Bedroom 4:				
Master bath:				
Bathroom 1:				
Bathroom 2:				
Bathroom 3:				
Bathroom 4:				
Laundry / utility room:				
Breakfast nook:				
Storage room:				
Garage:				
Workroom / shop:				
Basement:				
Attic:				
Sunny and comfortable rooms:				
Bedroom privacy from the living area:				
Lighting and ventilation in the kitchen:				
Kitchen outlets, cabinets, drawers, and counter space:				
Closets and storage areas:				
Other:				
<b>Appliances (Age, Condition, etc.)</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Inspection</b>
Overall energy efficiency:				
Refrigerator:				
Stove:				
Microwave:				
Garbage disposal:				
Dishwasher:				
Washer:				
Dryer (electric or gas):				
Water softener:				
Water heater (electric or gas):				
Air conditioner (window or central air):				
Furnace (gas, propane, coal, wood):				

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Dehumidifier:				
Humidifier:				
Garage door opener:				
Whole house generator:				
Other appliances:				
<b>Plumbing</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Inspection</b>
Type:				
Fixture condition:				
Pipes:				
Water source:				
Water pressure:				
Toilets / drains:				
Faucets, drains, and tiling:				
Leaks:				
Sump pump:				
Water softener:				
Water heater (capacity and recovery time):				
<b>Electrical</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Inspection</b>
Wiring:				
Number of circuits:				
220 volts:				
Fuses or breakers:				
Fixtures:				
Switches:				
Outlet availability:				
Electrical, heating and cooling systems:				
Door bells:				
Other electrical:				
<b>Miscellaneous</b>	<b>Excellent</b>	<b>Good</b>	<b>Fair</b>	<b>Inspection</b>
Fireplaces:				
Carpeting:				
Flooring:				
Tile / linoleum:				

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Wallpaper / paint:				
Lighting				
Ventilation:				
Flooring:				
Drapes / curtains / shades:				
Surround sound:				
Smoke and carbon monoxide detectors:				
Security alarm:				