BUYING Your HOME

A PROFESSIONAL GUIDE

Courtesy of the "Mister Rogers Homes Team" – Your complete Arizona Real Estate Connection

A Resource for the home Buying Process!



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THE BASICS

Who and What You Need to Know for the Home Purchasing Process



REALTOR®

A **REALTOR**[®] is a licensed real estate agent and a member of the **NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS**[®], a real estate trade association. **REALTORS**[®] also belong to their state and local **ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS**[®].



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REAL ESTATE AGENT

A real estate agent is licensed by the state to represent parties in the transfer of property. Every **REALTOR**[®] is a real estate agent, but not every real estate agent has the professional designation of a **REALTOR**[®].

MULTIPLE LISTING SERVICE (MLS)

The **MLS** is a database of properties listed for sale by **REALTORS**[®] who are members of the local **ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS**[®]. Information on an **MLS** property is available to thousands of **REALTORS**[®].

LISTING AGENT (FOR SELLER)

A key role of the listing agent **OR** broker is to form a legal relationship with the homeowner to sell the property and place the property in the Multiple Listing Service.

BUYER'S AGENT

A key role of the buyer's agent **OR** broker is to work with the buyer to locate a suitable property and negotiate a successful home purchase.

ESCROW OFFICER

A disinterested 3rd party that handles funds, title insurance and signing of loan documents.

LENDER

The lender works with the buyer to arrange financing for the purchase of a home.

APPRAISER

Inspects the property and determines the comparable price of the home

HOME INSPECTOR

Inspects the property and works directly for the buyer.

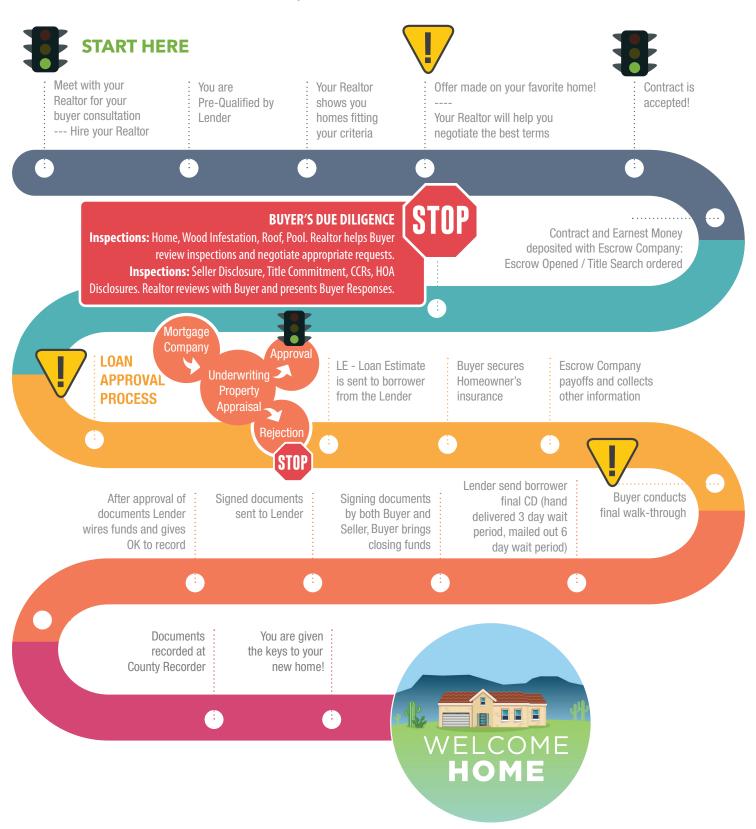
COMMITMENT IS A TWO-WAY STREET

Your **REALTOR**[®] will make a commitment to spend valuable hours finding the right home for you: researching listings, previewing properties, visiting homes with you, and negotiating your contract. Honor that commitment by staying with the **REALTOR**[®] you've selected until you purchase your home. Be sure your **REALTOR**[®] accompanies you on your first visit to all new homes and open houses, too.

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THE HOME BUYING PROCESS

A Roadmap to Purchasing Your Home



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LOCAL SERVICES DIRECTORY

UTILITIES

(APS) Arizona Public Service 602.371.7171 OR 1.800.253.9405 www.aps.com

(SRP) Salt River Project 602.236.8888 www.srp.com

GAS

Southwest Gas 877.860.6020 www.swgas.com Mesa Gas 480.644.2221

WATER

Apache Junction 480.982.6030 Avondale 623.333.2005 Buckeye 623.386.2196 Carefree 480,488,9100 Cave Creek 480.488.6617 Chandler 480.782.2280 El Mirage 623.933.1228 Fountain Hills 480.837.9522 Gilbert 480.503.6800 Glendale 623.930.3190 Global Water 520.568.4452 Goodyear 623.932.3910 Guadalupe 480.730.3080 Litchfield Park 623.935.9367 Maricopa Dom Water Improv. Dist 520.568.2239 Mesa 480.644.2221 Paradise Valley* (sewer) 480.348.3518 www.ci/paradise.valley.az.us/ Paradise Valley water service is though a private water company called: EPCOR 1.800.383.0834 www.epcor.com Peoria 623.773.7160 Phoenix 602.262.6251 www.phoenix.gov/residents/ Queen Creek 480.358.3450 Scottsdale 480.312.3111 www.scottsdaleaz.gov/eservices Surprise 623.222.7000 Tempe 480.350.8361

TELEPHONE

Century Link 1.866.209.3277 www.centurylink.com Cox 866.961.0155

CABLE

Cox Communications 623.594.1000 OR 1.800.683.0084 www.cox.com/arizona Direct TV 1.855.345.7002

AUTOMOBILE INFORMATION

Emissions Testing 602.771.2300 Motor Vehicle Division 602.255.0072

DOG LICENSING 602.506.7387

POST OFFICES

Valley Wide 1.800.275.8777 www.usps.com/

VOTER REGISTRATION

602.506.1511

THE ARIZONA REPUBLIC 602.444.1000

02.111.10000

RECYCLING AND SOLID WASTE

Solid Waste MgMt. Dept. 623.974.4791 OR 480.373.0062 Waste Management 602.268.2222 Recycling Assoc. Maricopa. 520.568.9428

CONSUMER SERVICES

Better Business Bureau 602.264.1721 AZ Attorney General 602.542.5025 AZ Registrar of Contractors 602.542.1525

TRANSPORTATION

Bus Lines

Super Shuttle 602.244.9000 Phoenix Transit 602.253.5000 Dial.A.Ride 800.775.7295

Limousine Carey 602.966.1955 Desert Rose 623.780.0159 Scottsdale 800.221.5065 Starlite 800.875.4104 Vincent 480.348.9990

Taxi Cab

AAA 480.966.8294 Courier 602.232.2222 Yellow 602.252.5252

LIBRARIES

Apache Junction 480.474.8555 Carefree 480.488.3686 Cave Creek 480.488.2286 Chandler 480.782.2814 El Mirage 602.652.3000 Fountain Hills 602.652.3000 Gilbert 602.652.3000 Glendale 623.930.3530 Litchfield Park 623.935.5053 Maricopa 520.316.6960 Mesa 480.644.3100 Peoria 623.773.7555 Phoenix 602.262.6372 Queen Creek 602.652.3000 Scottsdale 480.312.7323 Sun City 623.652.3000 Surprise 602.652.3000 Tempe 480.350.5555 Youngtown 623.974.3401

FIRE DEPARTMENT

Apache Junction 480.982.4440 Carefree 480.488.0347 Chandler 480.782.2120 El Mirage 623.583.7988 Fountain Hills 480.837.9820 Gilbert 480.503.6300 Glendale 623.931.5600 Goodyear 623.932.2300 Litchfield Park see Goodyear Maricopa 520.568.3333 Mesa 480.644.2101 Paradise Valley 480.348.3631 Peoria 623.773.7279 Phoenix 602.253.1191 Queen Creek 480.644.2400 Scottsdale 480.945.6311 Sun City 623.974.2321 Sun City West 623.584.3500 Surprise 623.222.5000 Tempe 480.858.7230 Youngtown 623.974.3665

POLICE DEPARTMENT

Apache Junction 480.982.8260 Carefree 480.876.1000 Chandler 480.782.4130 El Mirage 623.933.1341 Fountain Hills 602.876.1869 Gilbert 480.503.6500 Glendale 623.930.3000 Litchfield Park 623.932.1220 Maricopa 520.568.3673 Dispatch 520.316.6800 Admin Mesa 480.644.2211 Paradise Valley 480.948.7418 Peoria 623.773.8311 Phoenix 602.262.6151 Queen Creek 602.876.1011 Scottsdale 480.312.5000 Sun City 623.972.2555 Sun City West 623.584.5808 Surprise 623.222.4000 Tempe 480.966.6211 Youngtown 623.974.3665

*Paradise Valley also doesn't provide trash service owner must sign up with PV approved trash companies. Visit Town website and click on "How do I..."and sign-up for "Garbage Collection" for a list of approved collection companies.

WHAT IS ESCROW?

As an escrow holder, **MAGNUS TITLE AGENCY'S** duty is to act as the neutral third party. We hold all documents and all funds, pursuant to the purchase contract and escrow instructions, until all terms have been met and the property is in insurable condition. We do not work for the seller **OR** for the buyer; rather, we are employed by **ALL** parties and act only upon **Mutual Written Instruction.**

OPENING ESCROW

Occurs when your **REALTOR**[®] brings in a fully executed contract with your earnest money deposit.

Your Escrow Officer reviews the contract, receipts in the earnest money, orders the commitment for title insurance, and prepares the documents required to close escrow (payoffs, HOAs, etc.) All of the documents are double checked by your Escrow Officer.



WHAT IS TITLE INSURANCE?

DEFINITION: A contract where by the Insurer, for valuable consideration, agrees to indemnify the Insured for a specified amount against loss through defect of title to real estate wherein the latter has an interest either as a purchaser OR otherwise.

PURPOSE: Title insurance services are designed to afford real property owners, lenders, and others with interest in real estate, the maximum degree of protection from adverse title claims OR risks. The financial assurance offered by a title insurance policy from the title company is, of course, the primary aspect of title protection. The policy affords protection both in satisfying valid claims against the title as insured and in defraying the expenses incurred in defending such claims.

THE TITLE SEARCH

Title companies work to eliminate risks by performing a search of the public records OR through the title company's plant. The search consists of public records, laws and court decisions pertaining to the property to determine the current recorded ownership, any recorded liens, encumbrances OR any other matters of record which could affect the title to the property. When a title search is complete, the title company issues a commitment for title insurance detailing the current status of title.



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Opening the Escrow Items needed to open escrow:

- Contact info for Buyer, Seller, Agents and Title Company
- Fully executed Purchase Contract
- Earnest money deposit
- Copy of listing •
- New Lender information
- Existing loan payoff information
- **HOA** Information

Processing the Escrow

- Escrow deposits earnest money funds
- Escrow orders preliminary title report from title department
- Escrow requests payoff OR assumption information, homeowner's association information, etc.

Title Examination

Property and parties are researched by the Title Examiner

• Home Protection Plan (Warranties)

Preliminary Title Report is typed and sent to Escrow Officer, Agents, Seller, Buyer and Lender

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ESCROW CLOSING PREPARATION

- Escrow follows-up on receipt of the following Termite Report

 - Buyer's Hazard Insurance
 New Loan Package
 - Repair Bills

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- Payoff Information HOA Documents • **Septic** (if Applicable)

- Inform all parties executing documents to bring a valid government issued
- Inform Buyer to bring in a cashier's check OR wired funds for closing

Execution of Documents

Buyer and Seller meet with • Escrow Officer⁺ and execute all documents

> + Optional hired professional mobile notary upon request

Lenders Funds

- After all parties have executed the necessary documents, Escrow returns the loan package to the new Lender for review and funding
- Lender funds the loan and Lenders' check OR wired funds are sent to Escrow for processing

Recordation

- After Escrow receives all funds needed and have ascertained that conditions are met, original documents are recorded
- Once documents are recorded, Escrow notifies Agents
- Agents will make arrangements for you to receive your keys

8 **Disbursement of Funds**

All disbursements are made in accordance with the settlement statement

Policies Issued

- Purchaser receives Owner's Title Insurance Policy from Magnus **Title Agency**
- New Lender receives ALTA Loan Policy from Magnus Title Agency



CLOSING COSTS: WHO PAYS WHAT

A Chart Indicating Who Customarily Pays What Costs

		CASH	FHA	VA	CONV
1. Down Payment		BUYER	BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
2. REALTORS [®] Commissions		SELLER	SELLER	SELLER	SELLER
3. Existing Loan Payoff		SELLER	SELLER	SELLER	SELLER
4. Loan Pre-Payment Penalty (If Any)		SELLER	SELLER	SELLER	SELLER
5. Taxes		PRORATE	PRORATE	PRORATE	PRORATE
6. Termite/Wood Infestion Inspection				BUYER	
7. Property Inspection (If Requested by Buyer)		BUYER	BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
8. Property Repairs (If Any)	Š Negotiable	SELLER	SELLER	SELLER	SELLER
9. Homeowner Assoc. (HOA) Transfer Fee 💰 Negotiable					
10. HOA Capital Improvement	Š Negotiable				
11. HOA Disclosure Fee		SELLER	SELLER	SELLER	SELLER
12. Home Warranty Premium	Š Negotiable				
13. New Loan Origination Fee			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
14. Discount Points			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
15. Documents Preparation / Lending Fee			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
16. Credit Report			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
17. Appraisal	Š Negotiable		BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
18. Tax Transcripts			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
19. Pre-Paid Interest (Approx. 30 Days)			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
20. Impound Account			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
21. FHA/MIP/VA, Funding Fee, PMG Premium			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
22. Fire/Hazard Insurance (If Any)		BUYER	BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
23. Flood Insurance (If Any)			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
24. Escrow Fee		SPLIT	SPLIT	SPLIT	SPLIT
25. Homeowners Title Policy		SELLER	SELLER	SELLER	SELLER
26. Lenders Title Policy and Endorsements			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER
27. Recording Fee (Flat Rate)		SPLIT	SPLIT	SPLIT	SPLIT
28. Reconveyance/Tracing Fee		SELLER	SELLER	SELLER	SELLER
29. Courier/Express Mail Fees		SPLIT	SPLIT	SPLIT	SPLIT
30. Email Loan Documents			BUYER	BUYER	BUYER



LOAN TYPES → Federal Housing Administration U.S. Department of Veterans Affairs Conventional



AFTER THE CLOSING

We recommend you keep all records pertaining to your home together in a safe place, including all purchase documents, insurance, maintenance and improvements.

LOAN PAYMENTS AND IMPOUNDS

You should receive your loan coupon book before your first payment is due. If you don't receive your book, OR if you have questions about your tax and insurance impounds, contact your mortgage company.

HOME WARRANTY REPAIRS

If you have a home warranty policy, call your home warranty company directly for repairs. Have your policy number available when you call.

RECORDED DEED

MAGNUS TITLE AGENCY will mail the original deed to you after closing.

TITLE INSURANCE POLICY

MAGNUS TITLE AGENCY will mail your policy to you after closing.

PROPERTY TAXES

You may not receive a tax statement for the current year on the home you buy. However, it is your obligation to make sure the taxes are paid when due. Check with your mortgage company to find out if taxes are included with your payment. For more information on your Maricopa County property taxes, contact:

- Maricopa County Tax Assessor 602-506-3406
- Maricopa County Treasurer 602-506-8511

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Most Positive reviews on Zillow, Trulia and Homes.com in Arizona • Top Producers and Awards of Excellence recipient • Full-time experienced REALTORS • Multi-Million Dollar Producers • Certified Military Residential Specialists (Thank YOU for serving) • Most Positive recommendations on REALTOR.com in Arizona • Certified Short Sale Property Experts Proficient in Resale, Luxury, ReLo's, New Homes and Rentals • Local Team of Experts including Lenders, Home Inspectors, Title Companies, Handymen, Painters, Landscapers, etc • Voted Top 100 Most Influential Real Estate Agents 2016 • Over 10,000 fans on our Real Estate Facebook Page • Social Media Campaign, viewed by Millions Worldwide.

For ALL of your Arizona real estate needs, MRHT is your resource!



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