

Buyer's Settlement Checklist

PRE-SETTLEMENT WALKTHROUGH

Your realtor should arrange for a pre-settlement walk through. The pre-settlement walkthrough serves to insure that the property is in the expected condition upon transfer of ownership. Gas and water meter readings should be taken to ensure you are paying the proper amount at closing.

CLOSING FUNDS

Any proceeds owed at settlement need to be brought to the closing table in the form of bank check or wire. It is important to check with the title company beforehand to make sure that you bring the correct amount to closings.

HOMEOWNER'S INSURANCE POLICY

Usually a homeowner's insurance policy is requested by the lender prior to settlement. If this isn't taken care of prior to settlement it can sometimes cause a delay for securing financing.

HOME WARRANTY

If a home warranty is being purchased, whether it be by the buyer or by the seller, it is important to make sure that it is paid in full at closing.

IDENTIFICATION

Bring your driver's license or some form of picture identification to closing. Check with the title company to see if they require more than one form of identification.

OFFICIAL CHANGE OF ADDRESS

Make your change of address official with the United States Postal Service to ensure that your mail is going to the correct address after closing.

UTILITIES

Contact the utility companies to ensure that all utilities are changed over to your name on the day of closing.



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