

# COVID-19 buyer checklist

As a real estate professional, you build relationships and work with members of the public. With cases of COVID-19 on the rise in BC, real estate professionals want to know what they can do to help prevent the spread of the virus. This checklist is designed to help you manage challenges related to COVID-19.

## CHECKLIST

- Provide client with COVID-19 links and information from the appropriate authorities
- Assess your own risk with dealing with your client. Are they ill, or have they recently traveled?
- Have your client provide their own concerns to you about potential risk
- Provide options for your buyer client

## OPTIONS TO MINIMIZE RISKS

- Request health and recent travel information from potential sellers and their real estate professionals before any showing to give the buyer an indication of any risk
- Travel in separate vehicles to viewings to limit the amount of time spent in close proximity to each other
- Only show properties that the buyers are genuinely considering purchasing
- Take precautions during viewings, wearing gloves or using hand sanitizer, and not touching doorknobs, cupboard hardware, light switches or other surfaces unless necessary
- Postpone attending a showing if you or your client are feeling ill or have traveled outside of the country
- Discuss with your client the pros and cons of postponing the purchase process
- Document all discussions in writing

**Questions? Contact an RECBC Professional Standards Advisor at [advisor@recbc.ca](mailto:advisor@recbc.ca).**

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