

EXCLUSIVE BUYER'S AGENCY CONTRACT
INFORMATION ABOUT THIS EXCLUSIVE BUYER'S AGENCY CONTRACT

THIS INFORMATION IS INCLUDED FOR THE ASSISTANCE OF THE PARTIES ONLY. IT DOES NOT FORM PART OF THE CONTRACT AND SHOULD NOT AFFECT THE PROPER INTERPRETATION OF ANY OF ITS TERMS.

1. The Exclusive Buyer's Agency Contract when signed by both parties is a legally binding contract. READ IT CAREFULLY. The parties should ensure that everything that is agreed to is in writing.
2. Buying real estate can be a very rewarding experience. Property owners generally experience pride of ownership and in many cases a financial gain over the long term. The process of buying real estate is relatively complex and for this reason many buyers seek the help and professional expertise of a licensed REALTOR® and their real estate brokerage.
3. It is recommended that the relationship between the parties should be in writing in the form of an Exclusive Buyer's Agency Contract. This will ensure that the parties will have a complete understanding of their rights and responsibilities. Each party will know what they can expect from the other and what is expected from them. This is similar to the common practice of sellers entering into a listing contract when selling a property. Real estate brokerages cooperate with each other to bring buyers and sellers together. This cooperation will help bring you the best selection of properties which meet your individual requirements.
4. The topic of compensation to the real estate brokerage should be thoroughly discussed. The discussion should include the amount of compensation, sources of payment and when the payment is to be made.
5. REALTORS® are trained to provide valuable assistance to buyers in the following areas:
 1. Identifying desirable types of properties to acquire
 2. Locating properties available to view and consider
 3. Preliminary investigation and timely information gathering
 4. Viewing properties and providing guidance and advice
 5. Selecting the right property on which to make an offer
 6. Preparing a legally binding Contract of Purchase and Sale
 7. Negotiating favourable terms and conditions
 8. Assisting in arranging suitable financing if necessary
 9. Assisting in arranging property inspections and other needed services
 10. Assisting in the completion and possession process

These and other services can be documented on a schedule attached to the contract.

5. THE BUYER AGREES:

- A. Not to use the services of any other brokerage or licensee, within the Market Area, during the term of this Contract;
- B. To advise the Designated Agent of properties within the Market Area in which the Buyer is interested;
- C. To provide the Designated Agent with sufficient information to enable the Designated Agent to determine the Buyer's ability to purchase or to obtain a mortgage of a property;
- D. To negotiate in good faith the purchase of property in which the Buyer is interested, provided that the property and the terms of purchase are satisfactory to the Buyer;
- E. That the Designated Agent may disclose the Buyer's identity unless otherwise instructed by the Buyer in writing;
- F. That the Designated Agent is being retained solely to provide real estate services and not as a lawyer, tax advisor, lender, certified appraiser, surveyor, structural engineer, home inspector, or other professional service advisor; and
- G. That the Designated Agent may have only a limited knowledge of the physical condition of a property in which the Buyer becomes interested and the Buyer will be relying entirely upon information concerning the property's physical condition provided by the seller, landlord or listing brokerage. The Buyer understands and agrees that information provided by a seller, landlord or listing brokerage in respect of a particular property is not warranted by the Designated Agent or the Buyer's Brokerage as being accurate and will be relied upon at the Buyer's risk. The Buyer should make their own enquiries and investigations concerning the physical condition of a property, which should include an independent property inspection.

6. BUYER'S BROKERAGE REMUNERATION:

- A. The Buyer will pay the Buyer's Brokerage a fee of _____ ("Fee") of the purchase price plus applicable Goods and Services Tax and any other applicable tax if:
 - (i) a legally enforceable Contract of Purchase and Sale between the Buyer and a seller in respect of property located in the Market Area is entered into during the period of this Contract; or
 - (ii) a legally enforceable Contract of Purchase and Sale between the Buyer and a seller in respect of property located in the Market Area, which is introduced to the Buyer by the Buyer's Brokerage, the Designated Agent or by any other person including the Buyer during the period of this Contract is entered into:
 - (a) within sixty (60) days after the expiration of the term of this Contract; or
 - (b) any time after the period described in (a) where the efforts of the Buyer's Brokerage or the Designated Agent were an effective cause; provided, however, that no such remuneration is payable if, after the expiration of the term of this Contract, the Buyer has entered into a similar written Exclusive Buyer's Agency Contract with a licensed brokerage in respect of the Market Area and the property is purchased during the term of that contract.
- B. Prior to the Buyer making an offer to purchase a property, the Designated Agent will advise the Buyer of the total amount of remuneration offered by the listing brokerage to be paid to the Buyer's Brokerage for assisting in obtaining a buyer for that property.
- C. Monies, if any, under Clause 6B shall be deducted from the amount due and payable by the Buyer under Clause 6A and the Buyer shall pay any shortfall owing to the Buyer's Brokerage.
- D. The remuneration due to the Buyer's Brokerage under Clause 6A shall be payable on the earlier of the date the sale is completed or the completion date set out in the Contract of Purchase and Sale.
- E. The Buyer's Brokerage will advise the Buyer of any remuneration, other than that described in Clause 6B, to be received by the Buyer's Brokerage in respect of that property.

7. THE BUYER ACKNOWLEDGES AND AGREES THAT:

- A. It is not a conflict or breach of duty to the Buyer for the Buyer's Brokerage or the Designated Agent to show or introduce property in which the Buyer is interested to other buyers, or to have agency relationships with other buyers;
- B. It is not a conflict or breach of duty to the Buyer for the Buyer's Brokerage to be engaged by sellers and for the Designated Agent to have agency relationships with sellers;
- C. The Buyer's Brokerage and the Designated Agent will not be required to disclose to the Buyer confidential information obtained through any other agency relationship.
- D. If a property in which the Buyer is interested is not listed with a real estate brokerage, the Buyer's Brokerage may enter into a fee agreement with the seller but the Designated Agent will not, in any event, act as an agent of that seller without the prior written consent of the Buyer (see Clauses 2 and 8).

8. LIMITED DUAL AGENCY:

- A. If the Designated Agent (or where the Designated Agent is comprised of more than one licensee, any one of those licensees) is also the agent of a prospective seller of property in which the Buyer becomes interested the Buyer's Brokerage:
 - (i) will seek the written consent of the Buyer and the prospective seller for the Designated Agent to continue to act as their limited dual agent to facilitate a purchase of the property in which the Buyer is interested; or
 - (ii) if the parties do not consent to (i), may designate another licensee of the Buyer's Brokerage to act as the designated agent for that seller in which case neither the Designated Agent nor the Buyer's Brokerage will be required to disclose to the Buyer confidential information obtained by the Designated Agent through the Designated Agent's agency relationship with that seller;
- B. If the Designated Agent (or where the Designated Agent is comprised of more than one licensee, any one of those licensees) is also the agent of another prospective buyer of property in which the Buyer becomes interested, the Buyer's Brokerage:
 - (i) will seek the written consent of the Buyer and the other prospective buyer for the Designated Agent to continue to act as the agent of both parties on acceptable terms; or
 - (ii) if the parties do not consent to (i), may designate another licensee of the Buyer's Brokerage to act as the designated agent for that other prospective buyer in which case neither the Designated Agent nor the Buyer's Brokerage will be required to disclose to the Buyer confidential information obtained by the Designated Agent through the Designated Agent's agency relationship with that other buyer.

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- C. Where the Buyer and the prospective seller or the other prospective buyer have consented to the Designated Agent acting as their limited dual agent, the Designated Agent's duties will be modified by the limitations described in the brochure published by the British Columbia Real Estate Association entitled *Working With a REALTOR®*.

9. COLLECTION, USE AND DISCLOSURE OF PERSONAL INFORMATION:

- A. The Buyer hereby consents to the collection, use and disclosure by the Buyer's Brokerage and by the managing broker(s), associate broker(s) and representative(s) of the Buyer's Brokerage (collectively the "Licensee") noted below, and the real estate board in whose jurisdiction the Market Area is located and/or of which the Buyer's Brokerage or Licensee is a member, of personal information about the Buyer:
- (i) for all purposes related to the provision of real estate services by the Licensee to the Buyer including but not limited to:
 - (a) locating, assessing and qualifying properties for the Buyer;
 - (b) advertising on behalf of the Buyer; and
 - (c) providing information to third parties including but not limited to lawyers and notaries public, financial institutions, government departments and agencies and building inspectors;
 - (ii) for the purpose of placement in the database of a Multiple Listing Service® of a real estate board, if the property purchased by the Buyer is listed on such Multiple Listing Service®;
 - (iii) for compilation, retention and publication by such real estate board of any statistics including historical Multiple Listing Service® data for use by persons authorized to use the Multiple Listing Service® of such real estate board;
 - (iv) for enforcing codes of professional conduct and ethics for members of real estate boards;
 - (v) for such other purposes as are appropriate in connection with the listing, marketing and selling of real estate;
 - (vi) for all other purposes authorized in this Contract; and
 - (vii) for the purposes (and to the recipients) described in the brochure published by the British Columbia Real Estate Association entitled *Working With a REALTOR®*.

10. TERMINATION: The Buyer's Brokerage and the Buyer agree that:

- A. Without prejudice to the acquired rights of the Buyer or the Buyer's Brokerage, including without limitation the rights and obligations under Section 6, this Contract will terminate:
- (i) upon the expiration of the term of this Contract as specified in Clause 1B;
 - (ii) upon an earlier date than that specified in Clause 1B if mutually agreed to by the Buyer and the Buyer's Brokerage in writing;
 - (iii) upon a completed purchase of a property in the Market Area by the Buyer prior to the expiration of the term of this Contract;
 - (iv) immediately if the Buyer's Brokerage's licence is suspended, cancelled or rendered inoperative under the *Real Estate Services Act*; and
 - (v) upon the bankruptcy or insolvency of the Buyer's Brokerage or if it is in receivership.
- B. Immediately upon the termination of this Contract the Buyer's Brokerage and the Designated Agent will:
- (i) cease all activities on behalf of the Buyer; and
 - (ii) if requested by the Buyer, return all documents and other materials provided by the Buyer.

11. MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS:

- A. "Sale" includes an exchange and "purchase price" includes the value of property exchanged.
- B. "Period" or "date of expiration" of this Contract includes the period or date of expiration of any written extension.
- C. Interpretation of this Contract and all matters concerning its enforcement by the parties shall be governed by the laws of the Province of British Columbia.
- D. The parties acknowledge that this Contract fully sets out the terms of the agreement between them.
- E. This Contract shall be binding upon and benefit not only the parties but also their respective heirs, executors, administrators, successors and assigns.
- F. "Property" may include a leasehold interest, a business and the goodwill and assets of it, an interest, partnership or share in a business or in the goodwill and assets of it, or a manufactured home, plus any other real property designated by a seller.

12. AGREEMENT:

- A. The Buyer acknowledges having read and understood this Contract, that it accurately describes the agreement with the Buyer's Brokerage and that the Buyer has received a copy of it.
- B. Where the Buyer is comprised of more than one party, the obligations under this Contract of each and every party comprising the Buyer shall be joint and several.

SIGNED, SEALED AND DELIVERED THIS _____ OF _____, yr. _____.

BUYER'S SIGNATURE



BY SIGNING THIS CONTRACT THE BUYER
ACKNOWLEDGES HAVING RECEIVED, READ AND
UNDERSTOOD THE BROCHURE PUBLISHED BY THE
BRITISH COLUMBIA REAL ESTATE ASSOCIATION
ENTITLED *WORKING WITH A REALTOR®*.

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