



## DISCLOSURE INFORMATION ADVISORY

(FOR SELLERS)

(C.A.R. Form DIA, Revised 6/23)

1. **INTRODUCTION:** All sellers in California are required to provide various disclosures in real property transactions. Among the disclosure requirements, sellers have an affirmative duty to disclose to buyers all material conditions, defects and/or issues known to them that might impact the value or desirability of the Property. Failing to provide those disclosures may lead to a claim or a lawsuit against you which can be very costly and time consuming. As a seller, you may be required to fill out one or more of the following: Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Statement ("TDS"); Seller Property Questionnaire ("SPQ"); Exempt Seller Disclosure ("ESD"). (Collectively, or individually, "Disclosure Forms"). Please read this document carefully and, if you have any questions, ask your broker or appropriate legal or tax advisor for help.
2. **PREPARING TO COMPLETE YOUR DISCLOSURE OBLIGATIONS:**
  - A. Read and carefully review all questions in the Disclosure Form(s) to make sure that you understand the full extent of the information that is being requested in each question.
  - B. While a seller does not have the duty to investigate or discover unknown issues, you may have been given disclosures either from the previous owner at the time of purchase or from a previous buyer who cancelled. Information about the Property may have been revealed if you may have posted or recorded information and material facts about the Property online (social media, blogs, personal websites, Facebook, advertisements, etc.) or received documents or correspondence from an Homeowners' Association ("HOA").
  - C. Use any known and available documentation to refresh your memory of past and current issues, condition and/or problems and then provide a copy of that paperwork with your fully completed Disclosure Forms. A seller does not have to find lost documents or to speculate about what was in the documents that they cannot remember, but if the documents are known and available to you, they should be used to assist you in completing the Disclosures forms.
  - D. Allow plenty of time to fully complete the Disclosure Forms.
  - E. Your knowledge may be based upon what you have been told orally (e.g., in a conversation with a neighbor) or received in writing (such as a repair estimate, report, invoice, an appraisal, or sources as informal as neighborhood or HOA newsletters). Keep in mind that if a neighbor told you something, they are likely to tell the new owner the same information after the transaction.
  - F. If you are unsure about whether something is important enough to be disclosed, you should probably disclose it. If you don't want to disclose a piece of information about the Property, think about your reasoning for why you do not want to disclose this information. If the answer is because you think a buyer will not want to buy the Property or will want to purchase at a lower price, that is exactly the reason why the fact ought to be disclosed; it materially affects the value or desirability of the Property.
3. **INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETING ALL DISCLOSURE FORMS:**
  - A. **DO NOT** leave any questions blank or unanswered unless the section is not applicable. Answer all questions and provide all documents, information and explanations to every "Yes" response in the blank lines or in an addendum to the Disclosure Form.
  - B. Many questions on the Disclosure Forms ask if you "are aware" of a particular condition, fact or item. If you do not know the answer to any question, then you are "not aware" and should answer that question "No."
  - C. The Disclosure Forms are designed to get sellers to provide buyers with as much information as possible, and thus many of the questions on these forms may list multiple issues, conditions or problems and/or have subparts. It is important to address each aspect of each question and provide precise details so that Buyers will understand the "who, what, where, when and how."
  - D. The Disclosure Forms are written using very broad language. You should not limit the information, documents, and/or explanations that you provide Buyers.
  - E. Be specific and provide facts for each response; you should not let subjective beliefs limit, qualify or downplay your disclosures. Avoid words such as "never," "minor," "insignificant," "small" or "infrequent" as these terms may reflect your opinion but that opinion may not be shared by Buyers, professionals or others. Do not speculate as to what you guess the issue is, or assume something is true without actual knowledge. State your disclosures only to the extent of what you actually know.
  - F. Consider all issues, conditions or problems that impact your Property, even those that are not necessarily on your Property but are related to a neighbor's property (such as shared fences, lot-line debates) or exist in the neighborhood (such as noise, smells, disputes with neighbors, or other nuisances).



- G. Even if you have learned to live with an issue, condition or problem, disclose it.
- H. Even if you believe that an issue, condition or problem has been repaired, resolved or stopped, disclose the issue and what has been done, but do not speculate, predict or guarantee the quality or effectiveness of the repair or resolution.
- I. If there is conflicting information, data, and/or documents regarding any issue, condition or problem, disclose and identify everything.
- J. Do not assume that you know the answer to all questions; for example, unless you personally obtained or received copies of permits do not assume that anyone who did work on the Property obtained permits.
- K. If you are relying on written or oral information you received from someone else, even if you disagree with that information or are unsure as to its truth, disclose and identify the source of that information.

#### 4. COMPLETING SPECIFIC TYPES OF DISCLOSURE DOCUMENTS:

##### REAL ESTATE TRANSFER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT ("TDS") (Civil Code Section 1102.6)

**Section I** allows sellers to incorporate and provide reports and disclosures that relate to the information requested in that Disclosure Form. Providing those "Substituted Disclosures" does not eliminate your responsibility to fully and completely disclose all information known by you that is requested in the TDS. **For the TDS to be complete, one of the three boxes provided in Section I must be checked. If no Substituted Disclosures are being provided, Seller should check the box that indicates "No substituted disclosures for this transfer."**

**Section II A** asks you to check a series of boxes to indicate what appliances, fixtures and other items exist on the property and asks whether any of those existing items are "not in operating condition", a term which is not defined. Consider whether the checked appliances, fixtures and items fully function as if they were new and if not, disclose any issues, limitations or problems. The TDS is not a contract and it does not control which items must remain with the property after close of escrow; the purchase agreement determines which items must remain. However, you should be careful not to represent an amenity that the property does not have, so do not assume that feature is there (i.e. sewer or central air conditioning), and only check the box if you know it is a part of the property.

**Section II B** asks if you are aware of any significant defects/malfunctions in certain identified areas of the property. There is no definition for "significant defects/malfunctions"; do not assume this terminology places any limits on what you need to disclose. If you check any of the boxes, please provide as much information as possible regarding the issues, conditions or problems that you know about the checked areas.

**Section II C** asks sixteen questions regarding the Property and the surrounding areas. These questions are written very broadly and contain multiple issues, conditions and/or problems. Make sure that you respond as to each issue, condition or problem. If you respond "Yes" to any question, you should provide as much information as possible about the issue. If you are answering any of these questions "No" because you lack familiarity with the Property or the topic of any question, then you can explain the reasons, such as that you have not seen the Property in a long time or at all. This may help the buyers to understand that your "No" answer reflects the lack of awareness of the item, not that you are representing that the problem, condition or issue does not exist.

Question 16 in section II C refers to various code sections which part of a law are concerning construction defects that is widely known as SB 800 or Title 7. This law (Civil Code Sections 895-945.5) applies to residential real property built by a "Builder" and sold for the first time on or after January 1, 2003. If you have any questions about the applicability to the Property of any of the laws referenced in Question 16, or how you should answer this question, your Listing Agent recommends that you consult with a qualified California real estate attorney for advice. Your Listing Agent cannot and will not give you legal advice on these matters.

##### SELLER PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

The C.A.R. Residential Purchase Agreement requires Sellers to complete an SPQ for any transaction that requires a TDS because the TDS does not include questions regarding everything that sellers need to disclose to buyers. One example of a question not covered in the TDS but that is on the SPQ is whether there has been a death on the Property within the last 3 years (Civil Code Section 1710.2). Another example is the requirement that sellers of single family residences built prior to January 1, 1994 (and other properties built before that date) must disclose if the Property has any noncompliant plumbing fixtures (Civil Code Sections 1101.4 and 1101.5). This includes: 1. Any toilet that uses more than 1.6 GPF; 2. Any showerhead that has a flow capacity of more than 2.5 GPM and 3. Any interior faucet that emits more than 2.2 GPM. The SPQ should be used in conjunction with the TDS to help the seller carry out the obligation to disclose known material facts and defects affecting the value or desirability of the Property. One of the questions on the SPQ (and ESD, see next section) addresses the seller's obligation to provide to the buyer any relevant documents, including reports, whether past or current, in the seller's possession.

## EXEMPT SELLER DISCLOSURE ("ESD")

Some sellers of real property may be legally exempt from completing the TDS. For example, probate and bankruptcy court sales and sales by governmental entities are exempt from the obligation to provide a TDS. Some property that is owned by a trust which has trustee(s) acting in the capacity of a seller may also be exempt; but not all trustee(s) are exempt. If a qualified California real estate attorney has advised you that you are exempt from completing the TDS, then you may choose not to complete that form or any supplement to the TDS, but you may still be required to complete the ESD. Being exempt from completing certain Disclosure Forms does not completely eliminate those disclosure obligations that apply to all sellers under federal, state or local laws, ordinances or regulations and/or by contractual agreement with the buyer. The seller is still obligated to disclose all known material facts that may affect the value of the property. Further, the C.A.R. Residential Purchase Agreement requires those sellers who are exempt from the TDS to fill out the ESD. Pay particular attention to the "catch all" question, which asks you to disclose your awareness of any other material facts or defects affecting the property.

### 5. FINAL RECOMMENDATIONS:

It is important that you fully complete any legally or contractually required Disclosure Forms. To that end, the real estate Broker, and, if different, the real estate licensee, who listed the property for sale ("Listing Broker") strongly recommend that you consider the following points when completing your Disclosure Forms:

- If you are aware of any planned or possible changes to your neighbor's property (such as an addition), changes in the neighborhood (such as new construction or road changes) that may affect traffic, views, noise levels or other issues, conditions or problems, disclose those plans or proposed changes even if you are not certain whether the change(s) will ever occur.
- Disclose any lawsuits, whether filed in the past, presently filed or that will be filed regarding the property or the neighborhood (such as an HOA dispute) even if you believe that the case has been resolved. Provide as much detail as possible about any lawsuit, including the name of the case and the County where the case was filed.
- If any disclosure that you have made becomes inadequate, incomplete, inaccurate or changes over time, including right up until the close of escrow, you should update and correct your Disclosure Forms in a timely fashion.
- **If you have any questions about the applicability of any law to the Property, your Listing Broker recommends that you consult with a qualified California real estate attorney for advice. Your Listing Broker cannot and will not tell you if any law is applicable to the Property.**
- **If you need help regarding what to disclose, how to disclose it or what changes need to be made to your Disclosure Forms, the best advice is to consult with a qualified California real estate attorney for advice. Your Listing Broker cannot and will not tell you what to disclose, how to disclose it or what changes need to be made to your answers.**
- While limited exceptions may exist, such as questions that may impact fair housing and discrimination laws, generally speaking, **when in doubt, the best answer to the question: "Do I need to disclose ...?" is almost always "YES, disclose it."**

Seller has read and understands this Advisory. By signing below, Seller acknowledges receipt of a copy of this Advisory.

Seller \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
**Seller One**

Seller \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
**Seller Two**

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REAL ESTATE TRANSFER DISCLOSURE STATEMENT  
(CALIFORNIA CIVIL CODE §1102, ET SEQ.)  
(C.A.R. Form TDS, Revised 6/24)

☐ This property is a duplex, triplex or fourplex. A TDS is required for all units. This TDS is for ALL units (or ☐ only unit(s) \_\_\_\_).  
**THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT CONCERNS THE REAL PROPERTY SITUATED IN THE CITY OF Anywhere**  
**DESCRIBED AS** \_\_\_\_\_, COUNTY OF Santa Clara, STATE OF CALIFORNIA,  
123 Main St., Anywhere, CA 12345

**THIS STATEMENT IS A DISCLOSURE OF THE CONDITION OF THE ABOVE DESCRIBED PROPERTY IN COMPLIANCE WITH § 1102 OF THE CIVIL CODE AS OF (DATE) \_\_\_\_\_. IT IS NOT A WARRANTY OF ANY KIND BY THE SELLER(S) OR ANY AGENT(S) REPRESENTING ANY PRINCIPAL(S) IN THIS TRANSACTION, AND IS NOT A SUBSTITUTE FOR ANY INSPECTIONS OR WARRANTIES THE PRINCIPAL(S) MAY WISH TO OBTAIN.**

**I. COORDINATION WITH OTHER DISCLOSURE FORMS**

This Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Statement is made pursuant to § 1102 of the Civil Code. Other statutes require disclosures, depending upon the details of the particular real estate transaction (for example: special study zone and purchase-money liens on residential property).

**Substituted Disclosures:** The following disclosures and other disclosures required by law, including the Natural Hazard Disclosure Report/Statement that may include airport annoyances, earthquake, fire, flood, or special assessment information, have or will be made in connection with this real estate transfer, and are intended to satisfy the disclosure obligations on this form, where the subject matter is the same:

- ☐ Inspection reports completed pursuant to the contract of sale or receipt for deposit.  
☐ Additional inspection reports or disclosures: \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ No substituted disclosures for this transfer.

**II. SELLER'S INFORMATION**

The Seller discloses the following information with the knowledge that even though this is not a warranty, prospective Buyers may rely on this information in deciding whether and on what terms to purchase the subject property. Seller hereby authorizes any agent(s) representing any principal(s) in this transaction to provide a copy of this statement to any person or entity in connection with any actual or anticipated sale of the property.

**THE FOLLOWING ARE REPRESENTATIONS MADE BY THE SELLER(S) AND ARE NOT THE REPRESENTATIONS OF THE AGENT(S), IF ANY. THIS INFORMATION IS A DISCLOSURE AND IS NOT INTENDED TO BE PART OF ANY CONTRACT BETWEEN THE BUYER AND SELLER.**

**Seller ☐ is ☐ is not occupying the property.**

**A. The subject property has the items checked below:\***

- |  |   |   |
|--|---|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Range                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Wall/Window Air Conditioning                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool:  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Oven                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Sprinklers                                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Child Resistant Barrier  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Microwave                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Sewer System                            | <input type="checkbox"/> Pool/Spa Heater:   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dishwasher                | <input type="checkbox"/> Septic Tank                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Solar <input type="checkbox"/> Electric |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Trash Compactor           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sump Pump                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Heater:  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Garbage Disposal          | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Softener                                 | <input type="checkbox"/> Gas <input type="checkbox"/> Solar <input type="checkbox"/> Electric |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Washer/Dryer Hookups      | <input type="checkbox"/> Patio/Decking                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Water Supply:  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Rain Gutters              | <input type="checkbox"/> Built-in Barbecue                              | <input type="checkbox"/> City <input type="checkbox"/> Well                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Burglar Alarms            | <input type="checkbox"/> Gazebo   | <input type="checkbox"/> Private Utility or   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Carbon Monoxide Device(s) | <input type="checkbox"/> Security Gate(s)                               | Other _____   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Smoke Detector(s)         | <input type="checkbox"/> Garage:  | <input type="checkbox"/> Gas Supply:  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fire Alarm                | <input type="checkbox"/> Attached <input type="checkbox"/> Not Attached | <input type="checkbox"/> Utility <input type="checkbox"/> Bottled (Tank)                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> TV Antenna                | <input type="checkbox"/> Carport  | <input type="checkbox"/> Window Screens   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Satellite Dish            | <input type="checkbox"/> Automatic Garage Door Opener(s)                | <input type="checkbox"/> Window Security Bars   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Intercom                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Number Remote Controls _____                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Quick Release Mechanism on   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Heating           | <input type="checkbox"/> Sauna  | Bedroom Windows   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Central Air Conditioning  | <input type="checkbox"/> Hot Tub/Spa:                                   | <input type="checkbox"/> Water-Conserving Plumbing Fixtures                                   |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Evaporator Cooler(s)      | <input type="checkbox"/> Locking Safety Cover                           |   |
- Exhaust Fan(s) in \_\_\_\_\_ 220 Volt Wiring in \_\_\_\_\_ Fireplace(s) in \_\_\_\_\_  
☐ Gas Starter ☐ Roof(s): Type: \_\_\_\_\_ Age: \_\_\_\_\_ (approx.)  
☐ Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Are there, to the best of your (Seller's) knowledge, any of the above that are not in operating condition? ☐ Yes/☐ No. If yes, then describe. (Attach additional sheets if necessary): \_\_\_\_\_

(\*see note on page 2)

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Buyer's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_

Seller's Initials \_\_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_\_



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**B.** Are you (Seller) aware of any significant defects/malfunctions in any of the following? ☐ Yes ☐ No. If yes, check appropriate space(s) below.

☐ Interior Walls ☐ Ceilings ☐ Floors ☐ Exterior Walls ☐ Insulation ☐ Roof(s) ☐ Windows ☐ Doors ☐ Foundation ☐ Slab(s)  
☐ Driveways ☐ Sidewalks ☐ Walls/Fences ☐ Electrical Systems ☐ Plumbing/Sewers/Septics ☐ Other Structural Components  
 (Describe: \_\_\_\_\_)

If any of the above is checked, explain. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.): \_\_\_\_\_

\*Installation of a listed appliance, device, or amenity is not a precondition of sale or transfer of the dwelling. The carbon monoxide device, garage door opener, or child-resistant pool barrier may not be in compliance with the safety standards relating to, respectively, carbon monoxide device standards of Chapter 8 (commencing with § 13260) of Part 2 of Division 12 of, automatic reversing device standards of Chapter 12.5 (commencing with § 19890) of Part 3 of Division 13 of, or the pool safety standards of Article 2.5 (commencing with § 115920) of Chapter 5 of Part 10 of Division 104 of, the Health and Safety Code. Window security bars may not have quick-release mechanisms in compliance with the 1995 edition of the California Building Standards Code. § 1101.4 of the Civil Code requires all single-family residences built on or before January 1, 1994, to be equipped with water-conserving plumbing fixtures after January 1, 2017. Additionally, on and after January 1, 2014, a single-family residence built on or before January 1, 1994, that is altered or improved is required to be equipped with water-conserving plumbing fixtures as a condition of final approval. Fixtures in this dwelling may not comply with § 1101.4 of the Civil Code.

**C.** Are you (Seller) aware of any of the following:

1. Substances, materials, or products which may be an environmental hazard such as, but not limited to, asbestos, formaldehyde, radon gas, lead-based paint, mold, fuel or chemical storage tanks, and contaminated soil or water on the subject property . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  2. Features of the property shared in common with adjoining landowners, such as walls, fences, and driveways, whose use or responsibility for maintenance may have an effect on the subject property . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  3. Any encroachments, easements or similar matters that may affect your interest in the subject property . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  4. Room additions, structural modifications, or other alterations or repairs made without necessary permits. . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  5. Room additions, structural modifications, or other alterations or repairs not in compliance with building codes . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
- (Note to C4 and C5: If transferor acquired the property within 18 months of accepting an offer to sell it, transferor shall make additional disclosures regarding the room additions, structural modifications, or other alterations or repairs on a Seller Property Questionnaire (C.A.R. Form SPQ).)
6. Fill (compacted or otherwise) on the property or any portion thereof . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  7. Any settling from any cause, or slippage, sliding, or other soil problems . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  8. Flooding, drainage or grading problems . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  9. Major damage to the property or any of the structures from fire, earthquake, floods, or landslides . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  10. Any zoning violations, nonconforming uses, violations of "setback" requirements . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  11. Neighborhood noise problems or other nuisances . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  12. CC&R's or other deed restrictions or obligations . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  13. Homeowners' Association which has any authority over the subject property . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  14. Any "common area" (facilities such as pools, tennis courts, walkways, or other areas co-owned in undivided interest with others) . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  15. Any notices of abatement or citations against the property . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No
  16. Any lawsuits by or against the Seller threatening to or affecting this real property, claims for damages by the Seller pursuant to § 910 or 914 threatening to or affecting this real property, claims for breach of warranty pursuant to § 900 threatening to or affecting this real property, or claims for breach of an enhanced protection agreement pursuant to § 903 threatening to or affecting this real property, including any lawsuits or claims for damages pursuant to § 910 or 914 alleging a defect or deficiency in this real property or "common areas" (facilities such as pools, tennis courts, walkways, or other areas co-owned in undivided interest with others) . . . . . ☐ Yes ☐ No

If the answer to any of these is yes, explain. (Attach additional sheets if necessary.): \_\_\_\_\_

- D.** 1. The Seller certifies that the property, as of the close of escrow, will be in compliance with § 13113.8 of the Health and Safety Code by having operable smoke detector(s) which are approved, listed, and installed in accordance with the State Fire Marshal's regulations and applicable local standards.
2. The Seller certifies that the property, as of the close of escrow, will be in compliance with § 19211 of the Health and Safety Code by having the water heater tank(s) braced, anchored, or strapped in place in accordance with applicable law.

**Seller certifies that the information herein is true and correct to the best of the Seller's knowledge as of the date signed by the Seller.**

Seller \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Seller One**

Seller \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**Seller Two**





**III. AGENT'S INSPECTION DISCLOSURE**

(To be completed only if the Seller is represented by an agent in this transaction.)

**THE UNDERSIGNED, BASED ON THE ABOVE INQUIRY OF THE SELLER(S) AS TO THE CONDITION OF THE PROPERTY AND BASED ON A REASONABLY COMPETENT AND DILIGENT VISUAL INSPECTION OF THE ACCESSIBLE AREAS OF THE PROPERTY IN CONJUNCTION WITH THAT INQUIRY, STATES THE FOLLOWING:**

- ☐ See attached Agent Visual Inspection Disclosure (AVID Form)  
☐ Agent notes no items for disclosure.  
☐ Agent notes the following items: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent (Broker Representing Seller) Sample Real Estate Services (Please Print)By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Associate Licensee or Broker Signature)**IV. AGENT'S INSPECTION DISCLOSURE**

(To be completed only if the agent who has obtained the offer is other than the agent above.)

**THE UNDERSIGNED, BASED ON A REASONABLY COMPETENT AND DILIGENT VISUAL INSPECTION OF THE ACCESSIBLE AREAS OF THE PROPERTY, STATES THE FOLLOWING:**

- ☐ See attached Agent Visual Inspection Disclosure (AVID Form)  
☐ Agent notes no items for disclosure.  
☐ Agent notes the following items: \_\_\_\_\_

Agent (Broker Obtaining the Offer) Sample Real Estate Services (Please Print)By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Associate Licensee or Broker Signature)

**V. BUYER(S) AND SELLER(S) MAY WISH TO OBTAIN PROFESSIONAL ADVICE AND/OR INSPECTIONS OF THE PROPERTY AND TO PROVIDE FOR APPROPRIATE PROVISIONS IN A CONTRACT BETWEEN BUYER AND SELLER(S) WITH RESPECT TO ANY ADVICE/INSPECTIONS/DEFECTS.**

**I/WE ACKNOWLEDGE RECEIPT OF A COPY OF THIS STATEMENT.**Seller \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Seller OneSeller \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Seller TwoBuyer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Buyer OneBuyer \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Buyer TwoAgent (Broker Representing Seller) Sample Real Estate Services (Please Print)By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Associate Licensee or Broker Signature)Agent (Broker Obtaining the Offer) Sample Real Estate Services (Please Print)By \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
(Associate Licensee or Broker Signature)

**§ 1102.3 OF THE CIVIL CODE PROVIDES A BUYER WITH THE RIGHT TO RESCIND A PURCHASE CONTRACT FOR AT LEAST THREE DAYS AFTER THE DELIVERY OF THIS DISCLOSURE IF DELIVERY OCCURS AFTER THE SIGNING OF AN OFFER TO PURCHASE. IF YOU WISH TO RESCIND THE CONTRACT, YOU MUST ACT WITHIN THE PRESCRIBED PERIOD.**

**A REAL ESTATE BROKER IS QUALIFIED TO ADVISE ON REAL ESTATE. IF YOU DESIRE LEGAL ADVICE, CONSULT YOUR ATTORNEY.**

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# SELLER PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE

(C.A.R. Form SPQ, Revised 12/24)

This form is not a substitute for the Real Estate Transfer Disclosure Statement (TDS). It is used by the Seller to provide additional information when a TDS is completed. If Seller is exempt from completing a TDS, Seller should complete an Exempt Seller Disclosure (C.A.R. Form ESD) or may use this form instead:

**NOTE TO SELLER:** YOU ARE STRONGLY ADVISED TO CAREFULLY REVIEW THE DISCLOSURE INFORMATION ADVISORY (C.A.R. Form DIA) BEFORE YOU COMPLETE THIS SELLER PROPERTY QUESTIONNAIRE. ALL SELLERS OF CALIFORNIA REAL PROPERTY ARE REQUIRED TO PROVIDE VARIOUS DISCLOSURES, EITHER BY CONTRACT, OR BY STATUTE OR CASE LAW. MANY DISCLOSURES MUST BE MADE WITHIN CERTAIN TIME LIMITS. TIMELY AND THOROUGH DISCLOSURES HELP TO REDUCE DISPUTES AND FACILITATE A SMOOTH SALES TRANSACTION.

Seller makes the following disclosures with regard to the real property or manufactured home described as 123 Main St., Assessor's Parcel No. 123-45-678, situated in Anywhere, County of Santa Clara, California ("Property").

☐ This property is a duplex, triplex or fourplex. A SPQ is required for all units. This SPQ is for ALL units (or ☐ only unit(s) \_\_\_\_\_).

1. **Disclosure Limitation:** The following are representations made by the Seller and are not the representations of the Agent(s), if any. This disclosure statement is not a warranty of any kind by the Seller or any agents(s) and is not a substitute for any inspections or warranties the principal(s) may wish to obtain. This disclosure is not intended to be part of the contract between Buyer and Seller. Unless otherwise specified in writing, Broker and any real estate licensee or other person working with or through Broker has not verified information provided by Seller. A real estate broker is qualified to advise on real estate transactions. If Seller or Buyer desires legal advice, they should consult an attorney.

2. **Note to Seller, PURPOSE:** To tell the Buyer about known material or significant items affecting the value or desirability of the Property and help to eliminate misunderstandings about the condition of the Property.

- Answer based on actual knowledge and recollection at this time.
- Something that you do not consider material or significant may be perceived differently by a Buyer.
- Think about what you would want to know if you were buying the Property today.
- Read the questions carefully and take your time.
- If you do not understand how to answer a question, or what to disclose or how to make a disclosure in response to a question, whether on this form or a TDS, you should consult a real estate attorney in California of your choosing. A broker cannot answer the questions for you or advise you on the legal sufficiency of any answers or disclosures you provide.

3. **Note to Buyer, PURPOSE:** To give you more information about known material or significant items affecting the value or desirability of the Property and help to eliminate misunderstandings about the condition of the Property.

- Something that may be material or significant to you may not be perceived the same way by the Seller.
- If something is important to you, be sure to put your concerns and questions in writing (C.A.R. form BMI).
- Sellers can only disclose what they actually know. Seller may not know about all material or significant items.
- Seller's disclosures are not a substitute for your own investigations, personal judgments or common sense.

4. **SELLER AWARENESS:** For each statement below, answer the question "Are you (Seller) aware of..." by checking either "Yes" or "No." A "Yes" answer is appropriate no matter how long ago the item being asked about happened or was documented unless otherwise specified. Explain any "Yes" answers in the space provided or attach additional comments and check paragraph 19.

5. **DOCUMENTS:** **ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

Reports, inspections, disclosures, warranties, maintenance recommendations, estimates, studies, surveys or other documents (whether prepared in the past or present, including any previous transaction, and whether or not Seller acted upon the item), pertaining to (i) the condition or repair of the Property or any improvement on this Property in the past, now or proposed; or (ii) easements, encroachments or boundary disputes affecting the Property whether oral or in writing and whether or not provided to the Seller ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Note: If yes, provide any such documents in your possession to Buyer.**  
Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

6. **STATUTORILY OR CONTRACTUALLY REQUIRED OR RELATED:** **ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Within the last 3 years, the death of an occupant of the Property upon the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(Note to seller: The manner of death may be a material fact to the Buyer, and should be disclosed, except for a death by HIV/AIDS.)
- B. An Order from a government health official identifying the Property as being contaminated by methamphetamine. (If yes, attach a copy of the Order.) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- C. The release of an illegal controlled substance on or beneath the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- D. Whether the Property is located in or adjacent to an "industrial use" zone ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(In general, a zone or district allowing manufacturing, commercial or airport uses.)
- E. Whether the Property is affected by a nuisance created by an "industrial use" zone ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- F. Whether the Property is located within 1 mile of a former federal or state ordnance location (In general, an area once used for military training purposes that may contain potentially explosive munitions.) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- G. Whether the Property is a condominium or located in a planned unit development or other common interest subdivision ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- H. Insurance claims affecting the Property within the past 5 years ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- I. Matters affecting title of the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- J. Plumbing fixtures on the Property that are non-compliant plumbing fixtures as defined by Civil Code § 1101.3 ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- K. Any inspection reports on any exterior balconies, stairways or other "Elevated Elements" on buildings with 3 or more units on the Property prepared within the last 6 years, or 9 years for condominiums ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(See C.A.R. Form WBSA for more information)



L. Material facts or defects affecting the Property not otherwise disclosed to Buyer ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
 Explanation, or ☐ (if checked) see attached; \_\_\_\_\_

**7. REPAIRS AND ALTERATIONS:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Any alterations, modifications, replacements, improvements, remodeling or material repairs on the Property (including those resulting from Home Warranty claims) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- B. Any alterations, modifications, replacements, improvements, remodeling, or material repairs to the Property done for the purpose of energy or water efficiency improvement or renewable energy? ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- C. Ongoing or recurring maintenance on the Property (for example, drain or sewer clean-out, tree or pest control service) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- D. Any part of the Property being painted within the past 12 months ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- E. Whether the Property was built before 1978 (if No, leave (1) and (2) blank)..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- (1) If yes, whether any renovations (i.e., sanding, cutting, demolition) of lead-based paint surfaces started or completed (if No, leave (2) blank) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- (2) If yes to (1), whether such renovations done in compliance with the Environmental Protection Agency Lead-Based Paint Renovation Rule ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- F. Whether you purchased the property within 18 months of accepting an offer to sell it..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- (1) If yes, have any room additions, structural modifications, or other alterations or repairs (collectively "Improvements") been performed by a contractor while you have owned the Property..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

**Note 1:** If yes to F(1), Seller shall provide in the Explanation below: (i) a list of such Improvements and (ii) the name and contact information for each contractor who performed services of \$1,000 or more.

**Note 2:** If yes to F(1), Seller shall provide in the Explanation below (i) a list of those Improvements for which seller has obtained permits and Seller shall attach copies of those permits to this SPQ and (ii) for those Improvements for which Seller does not have a permit, Seller shall include a statement identifying those Improvements and that Seller was not provided permits by the third party making the Improvement and the contact information for such third parties from whom the buyer may obtain those permits.

Explanation, or ☐ (if checked) see attached: \_\_\_\_\_

**8. STRUCTURAL, SYSTEMS AND APPLIANCES:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Defects in any of the following (including past defects that have been repaired): heating, air conditioning, electrical, plumbing (including the presence of polybutylene pipes), water, sewer, waste disposal or septic system, sump pumps, well, roof, gutters, chimney, fireplace foundation, crawl space, attic, soil, grading, drainage, retaining walls, interior or exterior doors, windows, walls, ceilings, floors or appliances ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- B. The existence of a solar power system (if yes, Seller to provide C.A.R. Form SOLAR)..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- C. The leasing of any of the following on or serving the Property: solar power system, water softener system, water purifier system, alarm system, or propane tank(s) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- D. An alternative septic system on or serving the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- E. Whether any structure on the Property other than the main improvement is used as a dwelling ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- (1) If Yes to E, whether there are separate utilities and meters for the dwelling..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- (2) If Yes to E, whether the dwelling received a permit or other government approval as an Accessory Dwelling Unit (ADU) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**9. DISASTER RELIEF, INSURANCE OR CIVIL SETTLEMENT:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Financial relief or assistance, insurance or settlement, sought or received, from any federal, state, local or private agency, insurer or private party, by past or present owners of the Property, due to any actual or alleged damage to the Property arising from a flood, earthquake, fire, other disaster, or occurrence or defect, whether or not any money received was actually used to make repairs ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If yes, was federal flood disaster assistance conditioned upon obtaining and maintain flood insurance on the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- (NOTE: If the assistance was conditioned upon maintaining flood insurance, Buyer is informed that federal law, 42 USC 5154a requires Buyer to maintain such insurance on the Property and if it is not, and the Property is damaged by a flood disaster, Buyer may be required to reimburse the federal government for the disaster relief provided.)
- B. Receiving domestic water storage tank assistance pursuant to § 13194 of the Water Code or whether the real property ever received such assistance and the real property currently still has the domestic storage tank..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- If yes, the following disclosure is made: (1) This property has a domestic water storage tank provided by a county, community water system, local public agency, or nonprofit organization, pursuant to § 13194 of the Water Code. (2) The domestic water storage tank was made available to households that had a private water well that had gone dry, or had been destroyed due to drought, wildfire, other natural disasters, or was otherwise nonfunctioning. (3) The domestic water storage tank provided pursuant to § 13194 of the Water Code might not convey with the real property. (4) Due to the water well issues that led to this property obtaining assistance pursuant to § 13194 of the Water Code, the buyer is advised to have an inspection of the water well and to have a professional evaluate the availability of water to the property to ensure it suits the purposes for which the buyer is purchasing the property.

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**10. WATER-RELATED AND MOLD ISSUES:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Water intrusion, whether past or present, into any part of any physical structure on the Property; leaks from or in any appliance, pipe, slab or roof; standing water, drainage, flooding, underground water, moisture, water-related soil settling or slippage, on or affecting the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- B. Any problem with or infestation of mold, mildew, fungus or spores, past or present, on or affecting the Property.. ☐ Yes ☐ No





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- C. Rivers, streams, flood channels, underground springs, high watertable, floods, or tides, on or affecting the Property or neighborhood ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**11. PETS, ANIMALS AND PESTS:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Past or present pets on or in the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
B. Past or present problems with livestock, wildlife, insects or pests on or in the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
C. Past or present odors, urine, feces, discoloration, stains, spots or damage in the Property, due to any of the above ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
D. Past or present treatment or eradication of pests or odors, or repair of damage due to any of the above ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If so, when and by whom \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**12. BOUNDARIES, ACCESS AND PROPERTY USE BY OTHERS:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Surveys, easements, encroachments or boundary disputes ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
B. Use or access to the Property, or any part of it, by anyone other than you, with or without permission, for any purpose, including but not limited to, using or maintaining roads, driveways or other forms of ingress or egress or other travel or drainage..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
C. Use of any neighboring property by you ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**13. LANDSCAPING, POOL AND SPA:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Diseases or infestations affecting trees, plants or vegetation on or near the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
B. Operational sprinklers on the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(1) If yes, are they ☐ automatic or ☐ manually operated.  
(2) If yes, are there any areas with trees, plants or vegetation not covered by the sprinkler system ☐ Yes ☐ No  
C. A pool heater on the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, is it operational? ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
D. A spa heater on the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
If yes, is it operational? ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
E. Past or present defects, leaks, cracks, repairs or other problems with the sprinklers, pool, spa, waterfall, pond, stream, drainage or other water-related decor including any ancillary equipment, including pumps, filters, heaters and cleaning systems, even if repaired ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**14. CONDOMINIUMS, COMMON INTEREST DEVELOPMENTS AND OTHER SUBDIVISIONS: (IF APPLICABLE)**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Property being a condominium or located in a planned unit development or other common interest subdivision.... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
B. Any Homeowners' Association (HOA) which has any authority over the subject property..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
C. Any "common area" (facilities such as pools, fitness centers, walkways, conference rooms, or other areas co-owned in undivided interest with others) ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
D. CC&R's or other deed restrictions or obligations ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
E. Any pending or proposed dues increases, special assessments, rules changes, insurance availability issues, or litigation by or against or fines or violations issued by a Homeowner Association or Architectural Committee affecting the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
F. CC&R's or other deed restrictions or obligations or any HOA Committee that has authority over improvements made on or to the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(1) If Yes to F, any improvements made on or to the Property inconsistent with any declaration of restrictions or HOA Committee requirement ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
(2) If Yes to F, any improvements made on or to the Property without the required approval of an HOA Committee ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**15. TITLE, OWNERSHIP, LIENS, AND LEGAL CLAIMS:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Other than the Seller signing this form, any other person or entity with an ownership interest ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
B. Leases, options or claims affecting or relating to title or use of the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
C. Past, present, pending or threatened lawsuits, settlements, mediations, arbitrations, tax liens, mechanics' liens, notice of default, bankruptcy or other court filings, or government hearings affecting or relating to the Property, Homeowner Association or neighborhood ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
D. Features of the property shared in common with adjoining landowners, such as walls, fences and driveways, whose use or responsibility for maintenance may have an effect on the subject property..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
E. Any encroachments, easements, boundary disputes, or similar matters that may affect your interest in the subject property, whether in writing or not ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
F. Any private transfer fees, triggered by a sale of the Property, in favor of private parties, charitable organizations, interest based groups or any other person or entity. .... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
G. Any PACE lien (such as HERO or SCEIP) or other lien on your Property securing a loan to pay for an alteration, modification, replacement, improvement, remodel or material repair of the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No  
H. The cost of any alteration, modification, replacement, improvement, remodel or material repair of the Property being paid by an assessment on the Property tax bill ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No



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**16. NEIGHBORS/NEIGHBORHOOD:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Neighborhood noise, nuisance or other problems from sources such as, but not limited to, the following: Neighbors, traffic, parking congestion, airplanes, trains, light rail, subway, trucks, freeways, buses, schools, parks, refuse storage or landfill processing, agricultural operations, business, odor, recreational facilities, restaurants, entertainment complexes or facilities, parades, sporting events, fairs, neighborhood parties, litter, construction, air conditioning equipment, air compressors, generators, pool equipment or appliances, underground gas pipelines, cell phone towers, high voltage transmission lines, or wildlife ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- B. Any past or present disputes or issues with a neighbor which might impact the use, development and enjoyment of the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**17. GOVERNMENTAL:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Ongoing or contemplated eminent domain, condemnation, annexation or change in zoning or general plan that applies to or could affect the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- B. Existence or pendency of any rent control, occupancy restrictions, improvement restrictions or retrofit requirements that apply to or could affect the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- C. Existing or contemplated building or use moratoria that apply to or could affect the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- D. Current or proposed bonds, assessments, or fees that do not appear on the Property tax bill that apply to or could affect the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- E. Proposed construction, reconfiguration, or closure of nearby Government facilities or amenities such as schools, parks, roadways and traffic signals ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- F. Existing or proposed Government requirements affecting the Property (i) that tall grass, brush or other vegetation be cleared; (ii) that restrict tree (or other landscaping) planting, removal or cutting or (iii) that flammable materials be removed ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- G. Any protected habitat for plants, trees, animals or insects that apply to or could affect the Property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- H. Whether the Property is historically designated or falls within an existing or proposed Historic District ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- I. Any water surcharges or penalties being imposed by a public or private water supplier, agency or utility; or restrictions or prohibitions on wells or other ground water supplies ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- J. Any differences between the name of the city in the postal/mailling address and the city which has jurisdiction over the property ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**18. OTHER:**

**ARE YOU (SELLER) AWARE OF...**

- A. Any occupant of the Property smoking or vaping any substance on or in the Property, whether past or present .... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- B. Any use of the Property for, or any alterations, modifications, improvements, remodeling or material change to the Property due to, cannabis cultivation or growth ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- C. Whether the Property was originally constructed as a Manufactured or Mobile home ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- D. Whether the property is tenant occupied ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- E. Whether the Property was previously tenant occupied even if vacant now ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No

If yes, disclose if you know the method or manner of how the tenancy ended.

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**19. MATERIAL FACTS:**

- A. Any past or present known material facts or other significant items affecting the value or desirability of the Property not otherwise disclosed to Buyer ..... ☐ Yes ☐ No
- B. ☐ (IF CHECKED) **ADDITIONAL COMMENTS:** The attached addendum contains an explanation or additional comments in response to specific questions answered "yes" above. Refer to line and question number in explanation.

Explanation: \_\_\_\_\_

**Seller represents that Seller has provided the answers and, if any, explanations and comments on this form and any attached addenda and that such information is true and correct to the best of Seller's knowledge as of the date signed by Seller. Seller acknowledges (i) Seller's obligation to disclose information requested by this form is independent from any duty of disclosure that a real estate licensee may have in this transaction; and (ii) nothing that any such real estate licensee does or says to Seller relieves Seller from his/her own duty of disclosure.**

Seller \_\_\_\_\_ **Seller One** Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Seller \_\_\_\_\_ **Seller Two** Date \_\_\_\_\_

**By signing below, Buyer acknowledges that Buyer has read, understands and has received a copy of this Seller Property Questionnaire form.**

Buyer \_\_\_\_\_ **Buyer One** Date \_\_\_\_\_  
Buyer \_\_\_\_\_ **Buyer Two** Date \_\_\_\_\_

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