HOW TO DO BUSINESS NOW. ROADMAP FOR THE NEW FORMS

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HOW TO DO BUSINESS NOW:

roadmap for the new forms

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ERS-20tb	Exclusive Right of Sale Listing Agreement – Transaction Broker	July 30, 2024	This is a listing agreement in which the seller grants the listing broker the sole right to list the property and establishes that the broker has a transaction broker agency relationship with the seller. Click here for the redlined version.
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ERS-20tn	Exclusive Right of Sale Listing Agreement – Consent to Transition to Transaction Broker	July 30, 2024	This is a listing agreement in which the seller grants the listing broker the sole right to list the property, establishes the broker is acting as a single agent for the seller, and includes the consent to transition to a transaction brokerage agency relationship. Click here for the redlined version.
EBLA-12	Exclusive Brokerage Listing Agreement	July 30, 2024	This is a listing agreement in which the seller grants the listing broker the sole right to list the property, but reserves to the seller the right to sell the property herself/himself/themself without owing compensation. Click here for the redlined version.
MLA-6	Modification to Listing Agreement	August 6, 2024	Use this form to modify the Exclusive Right of Sale Listing Agreement, Exclusive Brokerage Listing Agreement, or the Exclusive Right to Lease Listing Agreement.
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PPTA-1	Property Pre-Touring Agreement	July 23, 2024	From Florida REALTORS®: "There has been high demand from members for a tool that is concise, but satisfies the elements of the settlement. This demand gave rise to the development of the Property Pre-Touring Agreement. This form provides a way to provide the necessary disclosures of the settlement to a consumer prior to showing property. The form also provides fundamental information regarding broker compensation. There is educational value in this form regarding compensation, but the form does not contain many of the typical contractual provisions that address the rights and responsibilities of the parties, including how compensation disputes are addressed. The form is likely most effective when used at the start of the relationship between the parties and members may want to consider graduating to a more well-defined agreement between the parties as the relationship between the broker and consumer unfolds." While all business decisions must be made unilaterally and



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DON'T FORGET!

All business decisions must be made unilaterally and independently: your brokerage may create customized forms based on those decisions to meet your business' unique needs (as long as they comply with the MLS Rules and practice changes required by the NAR settlement agreement).

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FLORIDA REALTORS® FORMS LIVE NOW: HIGHLIGHTS OF NEW FORMS – LISTING AGREEMENTS

- New listing? Use the new forms!
- Required **compensation disclosures** (compensation, if any, is fully negotiable and is not set by law)
- Must conspicuously disclose to sellers and obtain seller approval for any payment or offer or payment that
 the listing broker or seller will make to another broker, agent, or other representative acting for buyers
- Must be provided in writing, in advance of any payment or agreement to pay another broker acting for buyers, and specify the amount or rate of any such payment
- How you set up the listing agreement is what will determine which compensation agreement you will use (if applicable)
- Includes the opportunity to offer or consider seller-to-buyer incentives (concessions)
- Sets forth various options for how (and whether) to compensate the listing broker and/or the buyer broker



FLORIDA REALTORS® FORMS LIVE NOW: HIGHLIGHTS OF NEW FORMS – MODIFICATIONS TO LISTING AGREEMENTS

- Have an existing listing that won't close by 8/17/24? You and your seller might need to sign a modification agreement!
 - Does the old listing agreement have the required compensation disclosures?
 - Does the old listing agreement conspicuously disclose to sellers and obtain seller approval for any payment or offer or payment that the listing broker or seller will make to another broker, agent, or other representative acting for buyers?
- If you answered "no" to either one of the questions above, then you and your seller should negotiate and sign a modification to the listing agreement to comply with the new MLS Rules and practice changes.

Modification to Listing Agreement	FloridaRealtors° ، آراً
	("Owner") or ("Seller")
and brokerage agree to amend Florida Association of Realtors® (Check one) Exclusive Right of Sale Brokerage Listing Agreement, or Exclusive Right to Lease Listing Agreement, regarding	
By use of this form, the parties agree to add the following language to all Listing Agreements Brokerage commissions are not set by law and are fully negotiable.	where it is not already included:
(Check as applicable)	
☐ The Termination Date will be	
☐ The price and terms will be	
Compensation to Broker will be:	
(a)% of total purchase price plus \$ OR \$	<u></u> -
☐ Seller authorizes compensation to buyer's broker as follows:	
(a)% of total purchase price OR \$ paid by Broker. (b)% of total purchase price OR \$ paid by Seller. (c) check here if Seller does not authorize compensation to buyer's broker.	
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Compensation to tenant's/consumer's broker will be: % of the gross value of the % of the first month's rent; or \$	e lease;
☐ Compensation is owed to Broker if Property is transferred within days after Te	rmination Date.
☐ Check to add the following to a Listing Agreement dated prior to March 31, 2024: REALTORS* proposed settlement prohibits any requirements conditioning particip offering or accepting offers of compensation to buyer/consumer brokers or other but accordingly any reference to a requirement that compensation be offered in order to hereby deleted.	ation in a REALTOR® MLS on yer/consumer representatives;
☐ Fee to Broker if deposit is retained by Owner/Seller will be% of deposit.	
Leasing fee to Broker will be \$	
☐ Cancellation fee to Broker will be \$	
☐ The parties agree to conditionally terminate the Agreement. Consumer will pay the age the conditional termination date will be	greed upon cancellation fee and
☐ Broker and Owner/Seller hereby agree to unconditionally terminate the Agreement. Over imburse Broker for all direct expenses incurred in marketing the Property. Broker and release each other from all obligations under the Agreement and release each other from actions arising from or related to the Agreement.	d Owner/Seller mutually
Other:	
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FLORIDA REALTORS® FORMS LIVE NOW:

HIGHLIGHTS OF NEW FORM — MODIFICATIONS TO LISTING AGREEMENT (MLA-6)

This is a great form – if in doubt, use it!



FLORIDA REALTORS® FORMS LIVE NOW:

	WORKING WITH BUYERS & OPEN HOUSES			
PPTA-1	Property Pre-Touring Agreement	July 23, 2024	From Florida REALTORS®: "There has been high demand from members for a tool that is concise, but satisfies the elements of the settlement. This demand gave rise to the development of the Property Pre-Touring Agreement. This form provides a way to provide the necessary disclosures of the settlement to a consumer prior to showing property. The form also provides fundamental information regarding broker compensation. There is educational value in this form regarding compensation, but the form does not contain many of the typical contractual provisions that address the rights and responsibilities of the parties, including how compensation disputes are addressed. The form is likely most effective when used at the start of the relationship between the parties and members may want to consider graduating to a more well-defined agreement between the parties as the relationship between the broker and consumer unfolds." While all business decisions must be made unilaterally and independently, MIAMI REALTORS® does not recommend using this form because, among other reasons: (1) it may not comply with the terms of the NAR settlement agreement; (2) it likely poses risks of vlolating antitrust laws; and, (3) it does not do what it purports to do. If your goal, as a transaction broker for the seller, is to have a written agreement with a buyer (who comes to an open house, is otherwise unrepresented, etc.), then consult with your legal counsel about how to craft a form that meets your business' specific needs.	
SA-4	Showing Agreement	July 23, 2024	Click here to see redline, which shows changes required to bring this form in compliance with the terms of the NAR Settlement Agreement. MIAMI strongly recommends deleting the last of these agreements ("However, Consumer agrees that Broker may receive separate compensation from owner of the property for services rendered to owner by Broker, for which Consumer will not be responsible."). This is because it conflicts with the requirements of the NAR settlement agreement for buyer broker agreements (see pp. 36-37) and for agreements with sellers (see p. 37).	
EBBA-7tb	Exclusive Buyer Brokerage Agreement – Transaction Broker	July 30, 2024	This form may be used when a broker wishes to act as a buyer's agent and be paid commission by the buyer. It establishes an exclusive, transaction agency representation with a buyer and provides for a retainer fee.	
EBBA-7nr	Exclusive Buyer Brokerage Agreement – No Brokerage Relationship	July 30, 2024	This form may be used when a broker wishes to act as a buyer's agent and be paid commission by the buyer. It establishes an exclusive, no brokerage agency representation with a buyer and provides for a retainer fee.	
EBBA-7sa	Exclusive Buyer Brokerage Agreement – Single Agent	July 30, 2024	This form may be used when a broker wishes to act as a buyer's agent and be paid commission by the buyer. It establishes an exclusive, single agency representation with a buyer and provides for a retainer fee.	
EBBA-7tn	Exclusive Buyer Brokerage Agreement – Consent to Transition to Transaction Broker	July 30, 2024	This form may be used when a broker wishes to act as a buyer's agent and be paid commission by the buyer. It establishes an exclusive, single agency representation with a buyer and provides for a retainer fee, with a right to transition into transaction agency.	
MEBBSA-1	Modification to Exclusive Buyer Broker Agreement / Showing Agreement	August 6, 2024	This newly created form allows the consumer and broker to modify the material terms of the Exclusive Buyer Broker Agreement or the Showing Agreement. It is important that the parties state the date of the agreement that the parties seek to modify. There is no place for the parties to enter a property address because the original agreement may or may not be property specific. If the parties would like to make the modification property specific, they may do so by adding the property address to the other terms section of the modification form. All necessary disclosures to comply with the NAR settlement have been added to the modification form.	



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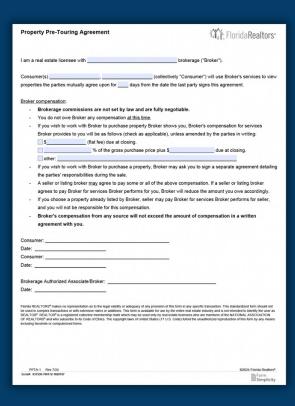


WHY ARE THERE SO MANY DIFFERENT OPTIONS FOR FORMS WHEN WORKING WITH BUYERS?! BECAUSE BUYER-BROKER RELATIONSHIPS ARE NOT ONE-SIZE-FITS-ALL.

The new MLS Rules and practice changes **DO** require (in part) that if you are "working with" a buyer, which includes showing a home, you need to have a written agreement with that buyer customer

The new MLS Rules and practice changes **DO NOT** dictate which form you must use. That's a unilateral and independent business decision.

IMPORTANT NOTES WHEN USING FLORIDA REALTORS®' FORMS



PROPERTY PRE-TOURING AGREEMENT (PPTA-1)

MIAMI REALTORS® DOES NOT RECOMMEND USING THIS FORM

IMPORTANT NOTES WHEN USING FLORIDA REALTORS®' FORMS

SHOWING AGREEMENT (SA-4) **BUYER BROKER AGREEMENTS** (EBBA-7tn, EBBA-7nr, EBBA-7sa, EBBA-7tb)

MIAMI REALTORS® recommends deleting this line:

9. ACKNOWLEDGMENT; MODIFICATIONS: Consumer has read this Agreement and understands its contents. This Agreement cannot be changed except by written agreement signed by both parties. Electronic signatures will be acceptable and binding. Brokerage commissions are not set by law and are fully negotiable. Broker may not receive compensation from any source that exceeds the amount or rate agreed to with Consumer. However, Consumer agrees that Broker may receive separate compensation from owner of the property for services rendered to owner by Broker, for which Consumer will not be responsible.

WHY?

NAR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PROVISIONS REQUIRED WHEN WORKING WITH BUYERS:

- vi. unless inconsistent with state or federal law or regulation before or during the operation of this Paragraph 68(vi) of this Settlement Agreement, require that all MLS Participants working with a buyer enter into a written agreement before the buyer tours any home with the following:
 - a. to the extent that such an MLS Participant will receive compensation from any source, the agreement must specify and conspicuously disclose the amount or rate of compensation it will receive or how this amount will be determined;

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- b. the amount of compensation reflected must be objectively ascertainable and may not be open-ended (e.g., "buyer broker compensation shall be whatever amount the seller is offering to the buyer"); and
- such an MLS Participant may not receive compensation for brokerage services from any source that exceeds the amount or rate agreed to in the agreement with the buyer;

NAR SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PROVISIONS REQUIRED WHEN WORKING WITH SELLERS:

viii. require MLS Participants acting for sellers to conspicuously disclose to sellers and obtain seller approval for any payment or offer of payment that the listing broker or seller will make to another broker, agent, or other representative (e.g., a real estate attorney) acting for buyers; and such disclosure must be in writing, provided in advance of any payment or agreement to pay to another broker acting for buyers, and specify the amount or rate of any such payment;

FLORIDA REALTORS® FORMS LIVE NOW: HIGHLIGHTS OF NEW FORM – SHOWING AGREEMENT

- New buyer customer? Use updated forms!
- Showing Agreement is one form of a written buyer broker agreement
- Can list specific properties (if desired)
- Adds arbitration option for dispute resolution
- Includes compensation disclosures and other provisions required by the NAR settlement agreement
- Includes various options for compensation to the buyer broker (if any)
- No protection period
- Includes a provision that any compensation received by buyer broker from owner or owner's broker for services rendered will reduce any amount owed by the buyer (if any)

FLORIDA REALTORS® FORMS LIVE NOW: HIGHLIGHTS OF NEW FORMS – EXCLUSIVE BUYER BROKER AGREEMENTS

- New buyer customer? Use updated forms!
- EBBAs are one form of a written buyer broker agreement (more robust than the SA-4)
- Can list specific properties (if desired) or general type of property/location buyer seeks
- Adds arbitration option for dispute resolution
- Compensation disclosures and other provisions required by the NAR settlement agreement
- Includes various options for compensation to the buyer broker (if any)
- Includes provisions for a protection period and/or conditional termination (if any)
- Includes a provision that any compensation received by buyer broker from owner or owner's broker for services rendered will reduce any amount owed by the buyer (if any)

Florida Realtors Modification to Exclusive Buyer Brokerage Agreement/Showing Agreement ("Consumer") agree to amend Florida Association of Realtors® (Check one) 🗌 Exclusive Buyer Brokerage Agreement, or 🔲 Showing Agreement beginning on date (Check as applicable) ☐ The Termination Date will be Compensation to Broker will be: (a) Purchase or exchange: \$__ ___% (select only one); or \$__ plus \$_____ (select only one) of the total purchase price or other consideration for the acquired property. _ % of ___ month's rent (select only one); or \$_ (select only one) of the gross lease value. % plus \$ (c) Option: Broker will be paid \$_ or _____ % of the option amount, to be paid when Consumer enters into the option agreement. Brokerage commissions are not set by law and are fully negotiable. Broker may not receive compensation from any source that exceeds the amount or rate agreed to with Consumer. Protection Period will be within _____ days after Termination Date. ☐ Cancellation fee to Broker will be \$_ ☐ The parties agree to conditionally terminate the Agreement. Consumer will pay the agreed upon cancellation fee and the conditional early termination date will be _ Broker and Consumer hereby agree to unconditionally terminate the Agreement. Broker and Consumer mutually release each other from all obligations under the Agreement and release each other from any and all claims and actions arising from or related to the Agreement. This Modification to Exclusive Buyer Brokerage Agreement/Showing Agreement amends the above-referenced Agreement between Consumer and Broker. All other non-conflicting provisions of that Agreement remain in full force and effect. Consumer: Broker or Authorized Associate: Copy returned to Consumer on by email facsimile mail personal delivery. MEBBSA-1 Rev 7/24 ©2024 Florida Realtors® Simplicity

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HIGHLIGHTS OF NEW FORM — MODIFICATION TO EXCLUSIVE BUYER BROKER AGREEMENT/SHOWING AGREEMENT (MEBBSA-1)

- Can use it to modify EBBAs or SA-4
- No place to enter property address because original agreement may be property specific
- If you and your customer want to make the modification property specific, add the property address in the "other" section
- · All required disclosures added



FLORIDA REALTORS® FORMS LIVE NOW:

	COMPENSATION AGREEMENTS			
CASB-1	Compensation Agreement – Seller to Buyer's Broker	August 6, 2024	This new form is a compensation arrangement in which the seller agrees to compensate the buyer's broker for procuring a buyer for a listed property.	
MCA-2	Modification to Compensation Agreement – Seller to Buyer's Broker	August 6, 2024	This form allows the parties to make changes to any material terms of the underlying compensation agreement between the seller and the buyer's broker.	
CABB-1	Compensation Agreement – Seller's Broker to Buyer's Broker	August 6, 2024	This agreement memorializes any agreement between the brokers. The seller's broker, also known as the listing broker, to compensate the buyer's broker for the listed property. This agreement is property specific, and the arrangement between the brokers should relate to the listed property, not serve as a blanket agreement between the brokerages.	
MCA-1	Modification to Compensation Agreement – Seller's Broker to Buyer's Broker	August 6, 2024	This form allows the parties to make changes to any material terms of the underlying compensation agreement between the seller's broker and the buyer's broker.	



FLORIDA REALTORS® (AND OTHER) FORMS LIVE NOW:

COMPENSATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS			
CDS-1	Compensation	August 6, 2024	For listing and buyer agreements signed before August 17, 2024, that do not already include the
	Disclosure Statement		compensation disclosures required by the new MLS Rules and the NAR settlement agreement, you
NAR	Compensation	August 2024	can use one of these sample compensation disclosure statements to satisfy this requirement.
	Disclosure Statement		
MIAMI	Compensation	June 3, 2024	
	Disclosure Form		



FLORIDA REALTORS® FORMS LIVE NOW: HIGHLIGHTS OF NEW FORMS – COMPENSATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

- Compensation disclosures are required by the new MLS Rules and practice changes as a result of the NAR settlement agreement (compensation, if any, is fully negotiable and is not set by law)
- You've got 3 templates to pick from NAR, Florida REALTORS®, and MIAMI REALTORS®
- Send these standalone compensation disclosures to customers with whom you've already signed listing or buyer broker agreements (prior to 8/17/24, or if you've used forms that don't have the disclosures)



WHEN DO YOU NEED TO USE COMPENSATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS?

IF YOU HAVE LISTING AGREEMENTS OR BUYER AGREEMENTS THAT WERE SIGNED BEFORE 8/17 USING PREVIOUS VERSIONS OF FORMS

--OR--

IF YOUR LISTING AGREEMENTS OR BUYER AGREEMENTS DON'T OTHERWISE INCLUDE THE REQUIRED COMPENSATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS



TOOLKITS:

- THE ROADMAP: HOW TO GET READY FOR AUGUST 17
- SLIDE DECK (ENGLISH): LEGAL UPDATE & ACTION PLAN
- · SLIDE DECK (SPANISH): LEGAL UPDATE & ACTION PLAN
- MIAMI'S COMPENSATION DISCLOSURE FORM
- COMPENSATION MODELS
- SELLER CONCESSION OPTIONS
- BEST PRACTICES: DEVELOPER OWNED PROPERTIES
- FLORIDA: AUTHORIZED BROKER RELATIONSHIPS
- MUST-KNOW ANSWERS TO YOUR TOP QUESTIONS
- BEST PRACTICES: DATA FEEDS, WEBSITES, COMPENSATION
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