## COVID-19 GUIDELINES FOR REALTORS®

## LISTING

- ✓ ORRA strongly urges members to use virtual options and to limit in-person activities to the greatest extent possible.
- Prior to listing a property, brokerage firms should request sellers to approve and/or provide a release for in-person showings for their property.

## **PROPERTY SHOWINGS\***

- 1. Whenever possible, conduct all showings virtually.
  - ✓ Have buyers sign a form confirming they are pleased and satisfied with the virtual showing.
- 2. If it is necessary to show a property in person, plan ahead with both seller and buyer clients.
  - ✓ Encourage use of the Florida Realtors<sup>®</sup> COVID-19/Coronavirus In-Person Access Acknowledgement form.
  - ✓ Discuss a plan for proper cleaning of vacant properties with owners.
  - ✓ Limit the number of showings in a day and schedule at least an hour in between to allow time to clean and disinfect the property with the appropriate cleaning solutions before the next appointment.
  - Email clients a checklist of safety rules and tips before a showing.
  - ✓ Drive separately and have buyers meet you at the property.
  - Prepare the home beforehand by opening doors and turning on lights to reduce your buyers' need to touch items inside.
  - ✓ Wear masks and gloves when showing a property, and request the same of your buyers.
  - Advise buyers in advance of a showing that they need to bring and will be required to wear face coverings, and to avoid touching or adjusting their mask.
  - Remind buyers of safety rules prior to entering a home, and ask them to refrain from touching items unless necessary.
  - ✓ When showing an occupied property, the REALTOR<sup>®</sup> should be the only one to open and close doors to minimize the spread of COVID-19.
  - Limit the number of individuals permitted at a physical showing.
  - ✓ Wipe down lockboxes to protect the lives of the next REALTORS<sup>®</sup> and buyers.

\*The property showing guidelines can also be implemented during other milestones in the real estate transaction (e.g. inspections, appraisals, final walk-throughs, etc.).

## **CLOSING**

- ✓ Limit closing appointments to signers only. REALTORS<sup>®</sup> can join virtually (i.e. Facetime, phone call, etc.).
- ✓ Ensure social distancing measures between parties and individuals present at the closing.







