



# COVID-19 Real Estate Best Practices

**1**

Permitted real estate activity should include only those services that are essential to a real estate transaction, and at all times limit the number of in-person activities to those which are essential.

**2**

Recording of documents should be conducted online or through electronic platforms, and by mail or, as a last resort, in-person delivery by appointment only with appropriate safeguards.

**3**

Appraiser services should ensure that the property be unoccupied, that appropriate safety equipment (i.e. gloves) be worn at all times and that all resulting documentation be shared and submitted online only.

**4**

Real estate agents should show a property only to those making the decision, excluding others. They must also restrict the opportunity for a showing to only those who would not proceed with a transaction without entering the property. Others, such as friends, or children or other family members, should not be in attendance, nor should any prospective buyer be provided an opportunity to view multiple properties unless a certainty exists that a contract may result in the next 30 days.

**5**

Entering a property for the purpose of doing a market analysis is permitted only when the ability to do so virtually is not possible.

**6**

Only the inspector, the principle buyer(s), and the buyer(s) real estate agent should be present for a home inspection.

**7**

At no time should anyone enter a property if he/she has known exposure to the virus, or its symptoms, or if anyone sheltering in a property has the virus or its symptoms.

