



Get to Know Your Home

1. What is the history of the house? _____
 - a. When was it built? _____
 - b. Who built it? _____
 - c. Has it ever been remodeled? _____
 - d. What major systems were changed? _____
 - e. When were any additions or improvements, like a deck or swimming pool, added?

 - f. What contractor built those? _____
 - g. Were building permits issued at the time? _____
2. Are there wiring diagrams or blueprints of the house? _____
3. Are any of the appliances or recent repairs under warranty? _____
4. When does the garbage get picked up and who do you contact for service?

 - a. How is recycling handled? _____
5. Who provides water and sewer and how do you contact them?

6. What other services are available?

7. Who is the fuel oil supplier (if applicable)?

8. How do use energy efficient systems?

 - a. How do you program thermostats?

 - b. How do you clean and replace air filters?

9. What seasonal maintenance did the seller do?

 - a. What do these maintenance items generally cost?

 - b. If service companies were used for services, like cleaning the chimney, what are their phone numbers or other contact information?

10. Have any contractors, electricians, plumbers, roofers or carpenters worked on the house? What are their names and phone numbers? What did they do? Does the seller recommend them?

11. Is there any extra paint available to match the interior and exterior? If not, what colors were used and where was the paint purchased? If paint is very old, it should be thrown out.

12. Is there extra wallpaper, carpet or fabric available to match walls, carpets or curtains that are staying with the house? Are there special instructions for carpet and floors if environmentally friendly materials are used?
