MGIC Homebuyer Checklist



	Home 1	Home 2	Home 3
Address			
Asking price			
Real estate taxes			

The Neighborhood	Home 1	Home 2	Home 3
Near work			
Near schools			
Near shopping			
Near thoroughfares/ expressways			
Near public transportation			
Near doctors/dentists			
Near churches			
Garbage collection			
Street lights			
Sidewalks			
Streets/alleys well-maintained			
Traffic volume			
Parks			
Neighbors' property well-maintained			
All utilities installed			
Neighborhood covenants/ restrictions			
Near train tracks/airport			
Area zoned residential			
Near industry			
Proposed special assessments			
Flooding danger			
Restrictive easements			
Environmental concerns/influences			

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The Home (continued)	Home 1	Home 2	Home 3
Plumbing condition			
Estimated water and sewerage bill			
Estimated heating bill			
Estimated electric bill			
Living room			
Fireplace			
Separate dining room			
Family room			
Drapes – number of rooms			
Carpeting – number of rooms			
Kitchen eating area			
Refrigerator			
Stove/oven (gas/electric)			
Garbage disposal			
Dishwasher			
Broken windows			
Storm windows/screens			
Washer/dryer outlets			
Laundry space			
Finished basement			
Attic			
Sump pump/drainage			
Connected to sewer system			
Patio			
Backyard fence			
Landscaping			
Property boundaries			
Security (dead bolt locks, smoke detectors)			
Building code compliance (remodels & additions)			
Ability to expand or enlarge house			

Notes