

Seller Property Condition Disclosure Statement

76-2,120. Written disclosure statement required, when; contents; delivery; liability; noncompliance; effect; State Real Estate Commission; rules and regulations.

(1) For purposes of this section:

- (a) Ground lease coupled with improvements shall mean a lease for a parcel of land on which one to four residential dwelling units have been constructed;
- (b) Purchaser shall mean a person who acquires, attempts to acquire, or succeeds to an interest in land;
- (c) Residential real property shall mean real property which is being used primarily for residential purposes on which no fewer than one or more than four dwelling units are located; and
- (d) Seller shall mean an owner of real property who sells or attempts to sell, including lease with option to purchase, residential real property, whether an individual, partnership, limited liability company, corporation, or trust. A sale of a residential dwelling which is subject to a ground lease coupled with improvements shall be a sale of residential real property for purposes of this subdivision.

(2) Each seller of residential real property located in Nebraska shall provide the purchaser with a written disclosure statement of the real property's condition. The disclosure statement shall be executed by the seller. The requirements of this section shall also apply to a sale of improvements which contain residential real property when the improvements are sold coupled with a ground lease and to any lease with the option to purchase residential real property.

(3) The disclosure statement shall include language at the beginning which states:

- (a) That the statement is being completed and delivered in accordance with Nebraska law;
- (b) That Nebraska law requires the seller to complete the statement;
- (c) The real property's address and legal description;
- (d) That the statement is a disclosure of the real property's condition as known by the seller on the date of disclosure;
- (e) That the statement is not a warranty of any kind by the seller or any agent representing a principal in the transaction;
- (f) That the statement should not be accepted as a substitute for any inspection or warranty that the purchaser may wish to obtain;
- (g) That even though the information provided in the statement is not a warranty, the purchaser may rely on the information in deciding whether and on what terms to purchase the real property;
- (h) That any agent representing a principal in the transaction may provide a copy of the statement to any other person in connection with any actual or possible sale of the real property; and
- (i) That the information provided in the statement is the representation of the seller and not the representation of any agent and that the information is not intended to be part of any contract between the seller and purchaser.

(4) In addition to the requirements of subsection (3) of this section, the disclosure statement shall disclose the condition of the real property and any improvements on the real property, including:

- (a) The condition of all appliances that are included in the sale and whether the appliances are in working condition;
- (b) The condition of the electrical system;
- (c) The condition of the heating and cooling systems;
- (d) The condition of the water system;
- (e) The condition of the sewer system;
- (f) The condition of all improvements on the real property and any defects that materially affect the value of the real property or improvements;
- (g) Any hazardous conditions, including substances, materials, and products on the real property which may be an environmental hazard;
- (h) Any title conditions which affect the real property, including encroachments, easements, and zoning restrictions;
- (i) The utility connections and whether they are public, private, or community;
- (j) The existence of any private transfer fee obligation as defined in section 76-3107; and
- (k) Information relating to compliance with the requirements for a carbon monoxide alarm as provided in sections 76-604 and 76-605.

(5) The disclosure statement shall be completed to the best of the seller's belief and knowledge as of the date the disclosure statement is completed and signed by the seller. If any information required by the disclosure statement is unknown to the seller, the seller may indicate that fact on the disclosure statement and the seller shall be in compliance with this section. On or before the effective date of any contract which binds the purchaser to purchase the real property, the seller shall update the information on the disclosure statement whenever the seller has knowledge that information on the disclosure statement is no longer accurate.

(6) This section shall not apply to a transfer:

- (a) Pursuant to a court order, a foreclosure sale, or a sale by a trustee under a power of sale in a deed of trust;
- (b) By a trustee in bankruptcy;
- (c) To a mortgagee by a mortgagor or successor in interest or to a beneficiary of a deed of trust by a trustor or successor in interest;
- (d) By a mortgagee, a beneficiary under a deed of trust, or a seller under a land contract who has acquired the real property at a sale conducted pursuant to a power of sale under a deed of trust, at a sale pursuant to a court-ordered foreclosure, or by a deed in lieu of foreclosure;
- (e) By a fiduciary in the course of the administration of a decedent's estate, guardianship, conservatorship, or trust except when the fiduciary is also the occupant or was an occupant of one of the dwelling units being sold;
- (f) From one or more co-owners to one or more other co-owners;
- (g) Made to a spouse or to a person or persons in the lineal line of consanguinity of one or more of the transferors;
- (h) Between spouses resulting from a decree of dissolution of marriage or a decree of legal

separation or from a property settlement agreement incidental to such a decree;

(i) Pursuant to a merger, consolidation, sale, or transfer of assets of a corporation pursuant to a plan of merger or consolidation filed with the Secretary of State;

(j) To or from any governmental entity;

(k) Of newly constructed residential real property which has never been occupied; or

(l) From a third-party relocation company if the third-party relocation company has provided the prospective purchaser a disclosure statement from the most immediate seller unless the most immediate seller meets one of the exceptions in this section. If a disclosure statement is required, and if a third-party relocation company fails to supply a disclosure statement from its most immediate seller on or before the effective date of any contract which binds the purchaser to purchase the real property, the third-party relocation company shall be liable to the prospective purchaser to the same extent as a seller under this section.

(7) The disclosure statement and any update to the statement shall be delivered by the seller or the agent of the seller to the purchaser or the agent of the purchaser on or before the effective date of any contract which binds the purchaser to purchase the real property, and the purchaser shall acknowledge in writing receipt of the disclosure statement or update.

(8) The seller shall not be liable under this section for any error, inaccuracy, or omission of any information in a disclosure statement if the error, inaccuracy, or omission was not within the personal knowledge of the seller.

(9) A person representing a principal in the transaction shall not be liable under this section for any error, inaccuracy, or omission of any information in a disclosure statement unless that person has knowledge of the error, inaccuracy, or omission on the part of the seller.

(10) A person licensed as a salesperson or broker pursuant to the Nebraska Real Estate License Act shall not be required to verify the accuracy or completeness of any disclosure statement prepared pursuant to this section, and the only obligation of a buyer's agent pursuant to this section is to assure that a copy of the statement is delivered to the buyer on or before the effective date of any purchase agreement which binds the buyer to purchase the property subject to the disclosure statement. This subsection does not limit the duties and obligations provided in section 76-2418 or in subsection (9) of this section with respect to a buyer's agent.

(11) A transfer of an interest in real property subject to this section may not be invalidated solely because of the failure of any person to comply with this section.

(12) If a conveyance of real property is not made in compliance with this section, the purchaser shall have a cause of action against the seller and may recover the actual damages, court costs, and reasonable attorney's fees. The cause of action created by this section shall be in addition to any other cause of action that the purchaser may have. Any action to recover damages under the cause of action shall be commenced within one year after the purchaser takes possession or the conveyance of the real property, whichever occurs first.

(13) The State Real Estate Commission shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to carry out this section. By January 1, 2017, the commission shall adopt and promulgate rules and regulations to amend the disclosure statement prepared pursuant to this section to be in compliance with the requirements of subdivision (4)(k) of this section.

NEBRASKA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

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Title 302 - NEBRASKA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION

Chapter 1 – SELLER PROPERTY CONDITION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT.

001 The disclosure statement required by Neb. Rev. Stat. Section 76-2,120 shall be in substantially the following form:



NEBRASKA REAL ESTATE COMMISSION
SELLER PROPERTY CONDITION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT
Residential Real Property

THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IS BEING COMPLETED AND DELIVERED IN ACCORDANCE WITH NEBRASKA LAW. NEBRASKA LAW REQUIRES THE SELLER TO COMPLETE THIS STATEMENT (NEB. REV. STAT. §76-2,120).

How long has the seller owned the property? _____ year(s)
 Is seller currently occupying the property? (Circle one) YES | NO If yes, how long has the seller occupied the property? _____ year(s)
 If no, has the seller ever occupied the property? (Circle one) YES | NO If yes, when? From _____ (year) to _____ (year)

This disclosure statement concerns the real property located at _____
 in the city of _____, County of _____, State of Nebraska and legally described as: _____

This statement is a disclosure of the condition of the real property known by the seller on the date on which this statement is signed. This statement is NOT a warranty of any kind by the seller or any agent representing a principal in the transaction, and should NOT be accepted as a substitute for any inspection or warranty that the purchaser may wish to obtain. Even though the information provided in this statement is NOT a warranty, the purchaser may rely on the information contained herein in deciding whether and on what terms to purchase the real property. Any agent representing a principal in the transaction may provide a copy of this statement to any other person in connection with any actual or possible sale of the real property. The information provided in this statement is the representation of the seller and NOT the representation of any agent, and is NOT intended to be part of any contract between the seller and purchaser.

Seller please note: you are required to complete this disclosure statement IN FULL. If any particular item or matter does not apply and there is no provision or space for indicating, insert "N/A" in the appropriate box. If age of items is unknown, write "UNK" on the blank provided. If the property has more than one item as listed below please put the numbered in the appropriate box. For example – if the home has three room air conditioners, one working, one not working, and one not included, put a "1" in each of the "Working", "Not Working", and "None/Not Included" boxes for that item, and a "3" on the line provided next to the item description to indicate total number of item. You may also provide additional explanation of any item in the comments section in PART III.

SELLER STATES THAT, TO THE BEST OF THE SELLER'S KNOWLEDGE AS OF THE DATE THIS DISCLOSURE STATEMENT IS COMPLETED AND SIGNED BY THE SELLER, THE CONDITION OF THE REAL PROPERTY IS:

PART I – If there is more than one of any item in this Part, the statement made applies to each and all of such items unless otherwise noted in the Comments section in PART III of this disclosure statement, or number separately as provided in the instructions above. If an item in this Part is not on the property, or will not be included in the sale, check only the "None/Not included" column for that item.

Section A - Appliances	Working	Not Working	Do Not Know If Working	None / Not Included
1. Refrigerator				
2. Clothes Dryer				
3. Clothes Washer				
4. Dishwasher				
5. Garbage Disposal				
6. Freezer				
7. Oven				
8. Range				
9. Cooktop				
10. Microwave oven				
11. Built-in vacuum system and equipment				
12. Range ventilation systems				
13. Gas grill				
14. Room air conditioner (_____ number)				
15. TV antenna / Satellite dish				
16. Trash compactor				

Section B - Electrical Systems	Working	Not Working	Do Not Know If Working	None / Not Included
1. Electrical service panel capacity _____ AMP Capacity (if known) _____ fuse _____ circuit breakers				
2. Ceiling fan(s) (_____ number)				
3. Garage door opener(s) (_____ number)				
4. Garage door remote(s) (_____ number)				
5. Garage door keypad(s) (_____ number)				
6. Telephone wiring and jacks				
7. Cable TV wiring and jacks				
8. Intercom or sound system wiring				
9. Built-in speakers				
10. Smoke detectors (_____ number)				
11. Fire alarm				
12. Carbon Monoxide Alarm (_____ number)				
13. Room ventilation/exhaust fan (_____ number)				
14. 220 volt service				
15. Security System _____ Owned _____ Leased _____ Central station monitoring				
16. Have you experienced any problems with the electrical system or its components? _____ YES _____ NO	If YES, explain the condition in the comments section in PART III of this disclosure statement.			

Seller's Initials _____/_____ Property Address _____ Buyer's Initials _____/_____

<u>Section C - Heating and Cooling Systems</u>	Working	Not Working	Do Not Know If Working	None / Not Included
1. Air purifier				
2. Attic fan				
3. Whole house fan				
4. Central air conditioning _____ year installed (if known)				
5. Heating system _____ year installed (if known) _____ Gas _____ Electric _____ Other (specify _____)				
6. Fireplace / Fireplace Insert				
7. Gas log (fireplace)				
8. Gas starter (fireplace)				
9. Heat pump _____ year installed (if known)				
10. Humidifier				
11. Propane Tank _____ year installed (if known) _____ Rent _____ Own				
12. Wood-burning stove _____ year installed (if known)				

<u>Section D - Water Systems</u>	Working	Not Working	Do Not Know If Working	None / Not Included
1. Hot tub / whirlpool				
2. Plumbing (water supply)				
3. Swimming pool				
4. a. Underground sprinkler system				
b. Back-flow prevention system				
5. Water heater _____ year installed (if known)				
6. Water purifier _____ year installed (if known)				
7. Water softener _____ Rent _____ Own				
8. Well system				

<u>Section E - Sewer Systems</u>	Working	Not Working	Do Not Know If Working	None / Not Included
1. Plumbing (water drainage)				
2. Sump pump (discharges to _____)				
3. Septic System				

PART II - In Sections A, B, C, and D if the answer to any item is "YES", explain the condition in the comments Section in PART III of this disclosure statement.

Section A. Structural Conditions - If there is more than one of any item listed in this Section, the statement made applies to each and all of such items unless otherwise noted in the comment section in PART III of this disclosure statement.

<u>Section A - Structural Conditions</u>	YES	NO	Do Not Know
1. Age of roof (if known) _____ year(s)	N / A	N / A	
2. Does the roof leak?			
3. Has the roof leaked?			
4. Is there presently damage to the roof?			
5. Has there been water intrusion in the basement or crawl space?			
6. Has there been any damage to the real property or any of the structures thereon due to the following occurrences including, but not limited to, wind, hail, fire, flood, wood-destroying insects, or rodents?			
7. Are there any structural problems with the structures on the real property?			
8. Is there presently damage to the chimney?			
9. Are there any windows which presently leak, or do any insulated windows have any broken seals?			

<u>Section A - Structural Conditions</u>	YES	NO	Do Not Know
10. Year property was built _____ (if known)	N / A	N / A	
11. Has the property experienced any moving or settling of the following:	-----	-----	-----
- Foundation			
- Floor			
- Wall			
- Sidewalk			
- Patio			
- Driveway			
- Retaining wall			
12. Any room additions or structural changes?			

Section B. Environmental Conditions - Have any of the following substances, materials, or products been on the real property? If tests have been conducted for any of the following, provide a copy of all test results, if available.

<u>Section B - Environmental Conditions</u>	YES	NO	Do Not Know
1. Asbestos			
2. Contaminated soil or water (including drinking water)			
3. Landfill or buried materials			
4. Lead-based paint			
5. Radon gas			
6. Toxic materials			

<u>Section B - Environmental Conditions</u>	YES	NO	Do Not Know
7. Underground fuel, chemical or other type of storage tank?			
8. Have you been notified by the Noxious Weed Control Authority in the last 3 years of the presence of noxious weeds, as defined by Nebraska law (N.A.C. Title 25, Ch. 10), on the property?			
9. Hazardous substances, materials or products identified by the Environmental Protection Agency or its authorized Nebraska Designee (excluding ordinary household cleaners)			

Seller's Initials ____/____ **Property Address** _____ **Buyer's Initials** ____/____

Section C. Title Conditions - Do any of the following conditions exist with regard to the real property?

Section C - Title Conditions	YES	NO	Do Not Know
1. Any features, such as walls, fences and driveways which are shared?			
2. Any easements, other than normal utility easements?			
3. Any encroachments?			
4. Any zoning violations, non-conforming uses, or violations of "setback" requirements?			
5. Any lot-line disputes?			
6. Have you been notified, or are you aware of, any work planned or to be performed by a utility or municipality close to the real property including, but not limited to sidewalks, streets, sewers, water, power, or gas lines?			
7. Any planned road or street expansions, improvements, or widening adjacent to the real property?			
8. Any condominium, homeowners', or other type of association which has any authority over the real property?			
9. Any private transfer fee obligation upon sale?			

Section C - Title Conditions	YES	NO	Do Not Know
10. Does ownership of the property entitle the owner to use any "common area" facilities such as pools, tennis courts, walkways, or other common use areas?			
11. Is there a common wall or walls?			
b. Is there a party wall agreement?			
12. Any lawsuits regarding this property during the ownership of the seller?			
13. Any notices from any governmental or quasi-governmental agency affecting the real property?			
14. Any unpaid bills or claims of others for labor and/or materials furnished to or for the real property?			
15. Any deed restrictions or other restrictions of record affecting the real property?			
16. Any unsatisfied judgments against the seller?			
17. Any dispute regarding a right of access to the real property?			
18. Any other title conditions which might affect the real property?			

Section D. Other Conditions - Do any of the following conditions exist with regard to the real property?

Section D - Other Conditions	YES	NO	Do Not Know
1. a. Are the dwelling(s) and the improvements connected to a public water system?			
b. Is the system operational?			
2. a. Are the dwelling(s) and the improvements connected to a private, community (non-public), or Sanitary Improvement District (SID) water system?			
b. Is the system operational?			
3. If the dwelling(s) and the improvements are connected to a private, community (non-public) or SID water system is there adequate water supply for regular household use (i.e. showers, laundry, etc.)?			
4. a. Are the dwelling(s) and the improvements connected to a public sewer system?			
b. Is the system operational?			
5. a. Are the dwelling(s) and the improvements connected to a community (non-public) or SID sewer system?			
b. Is the system operational?			
6. a. Are the dwelling(s) and the improvements connected to a septic system?			
b. Is the system operational?			
7. Has the main sewer line from the house ever backed up or exhibited slow drainage?			

Section D - Other Conditions	YES	NO	Do Not Know
8. a. Is the real property in a flood plain?			
b. Is the real property in a floodway?			
9. Is trash removal service provided to the real property? If so, are the trash services _____ public _____ private			
10. Have the structures been mitigated for radon? If yes, when? ____/____/____			
11. Is the property connected to a natural gas system?			
12. Has a pet lived on the property? Type(s) _____			
13. Are there any diseased or dead trees, or shrubs on the real property?			
14. Are there any flooding, drainage, or grading problems in connection to the real property?			
15. a. Have you made any insurance or manufacturer claims with regard to the real property?			
b. Were all repairs related to the above claims completed?			
16. Are you aware of any problem with the exterior wall-covering of the structure including, but not limited to, siding, synthetic stucco, masonry, or other materials?			

Section E. Cleaning / Servicing Conditions - Have you ever performed or had performed the following? (State most recent year performed)

Section E - Cleaning / Servicing Conditions	YEAR	YES	NO	Do Not Know	None / Not Included
1. Servicing of air conditioner					
2. Cleaning of fireplace, including chimney					
3. Servicing of furnace					
4. Professional inspection of furnace A/C (HVAC) System					
5. Servicing of septic system					

Section E - Cleaning / Servicing Conditions	YEAR	YES	NO	Do Not Know	None / Not Included
6. Cleaning of wood-burning stove, including chimney					
7. Treatment for wood-destroying insects or rodents					
8. Tested well water					
9. Serviced / treated well water					

Seller's Initials ____/____ Property Address _____ Buyer's Initials ____/____

PART III – Comments. Please reference comments on items responded to above in PART I or II, with Section letter and item number.
Note: Use additional pages if necessary.

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