Fair Housing Word and Phrase List

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Summary: This is a helpful resource for members when writing ads or the remarks and directions fields in MLS. It is an excellent tool for new member orientation when discussing Fair Housing. And, it makes for an excellent ANNUAL mailing to firms.

Fair Housing Word and Phrase List

The following list is compiled of words or phrases that are UNACCEPTABLE. Usage of any of the following terms will be immediately deleted from the listing and the Principal Broker will be notified of the purge.

Able bodied Married

Adult community

Adult living

Adults only

Mature couple(s)

Mature individual

Mature person(s)

African Membership approval required Agile Mentally handicapped, no

Alcoholics, no Mentally ill, no Asian Mexican-American Bachelor Mormon Temple

Bachelor Mormon Temple
Blacks, no Mosque

Board approval required (Nationality)
Catholic Newlyweds
Caucasian (# of) children
Chicano Older person
Chinese One Child
Children, no One person
Colored Oriental

Couple(s) Physically fit
Couple only Polish
Crippled, no Puerto Rican

Deaf, no Retarded, no Drinkers, no Seasonal worker, no

Employed, must be
Empty nesters
Singles only
(Ethnic reference)
Single Person
Handicapped, not for
Smoker(s), no

Healthy only
Hispanic
Soc. Sec. Ins., no
Tenant (description of)

Impaired, no
Independent living
White

Indian White only Irish

Integrated (Religious reference)
Jewish Reference to private clubs

Landlord (# of) people
Latino Reference to private schools

Reference to ANY of the protected classes: Race, Religion, Famial Status, Sex, National Origin, Color or Handicapped

The following list is compiled of words or phrases that should be used with great CAUTION.

Active Near____ Board approval required Near country club Close to _____ No students Desirable neighborhood Number of persons Domestic quarters Prestigious Quality neighborhood Female(s) only Female roommate Retirees (Gender specific) Secure Gentleman's farm Senior Citizens Grandma's house Single woman/man Golden Agers Sophisticated Students Males only Male roommate Two People Membership approval required Within walking distance

The following list is compiled of words or phrases that are ACCEPTABLE:

Credit check required On bus route
Den Play area
Equal Housing Opportunity Privacy

Family room Private driveway
First time buyer Private entrance
Fixer-upper Quality construction

Great for family Quiet

In-Law apartmentReference requiredLuxury townhousesSchool districtNanny roomSchool nameNear golf courseSecurity providedNear mass transitSenior discount

Neighborhood name _____ square feet

NiceStarter homeNo drinkingTraditional StyleNo drugsTranquil settingNo drug usersVerifiable incomeNo smokingView of ______

Nursery With view

Nursing home

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