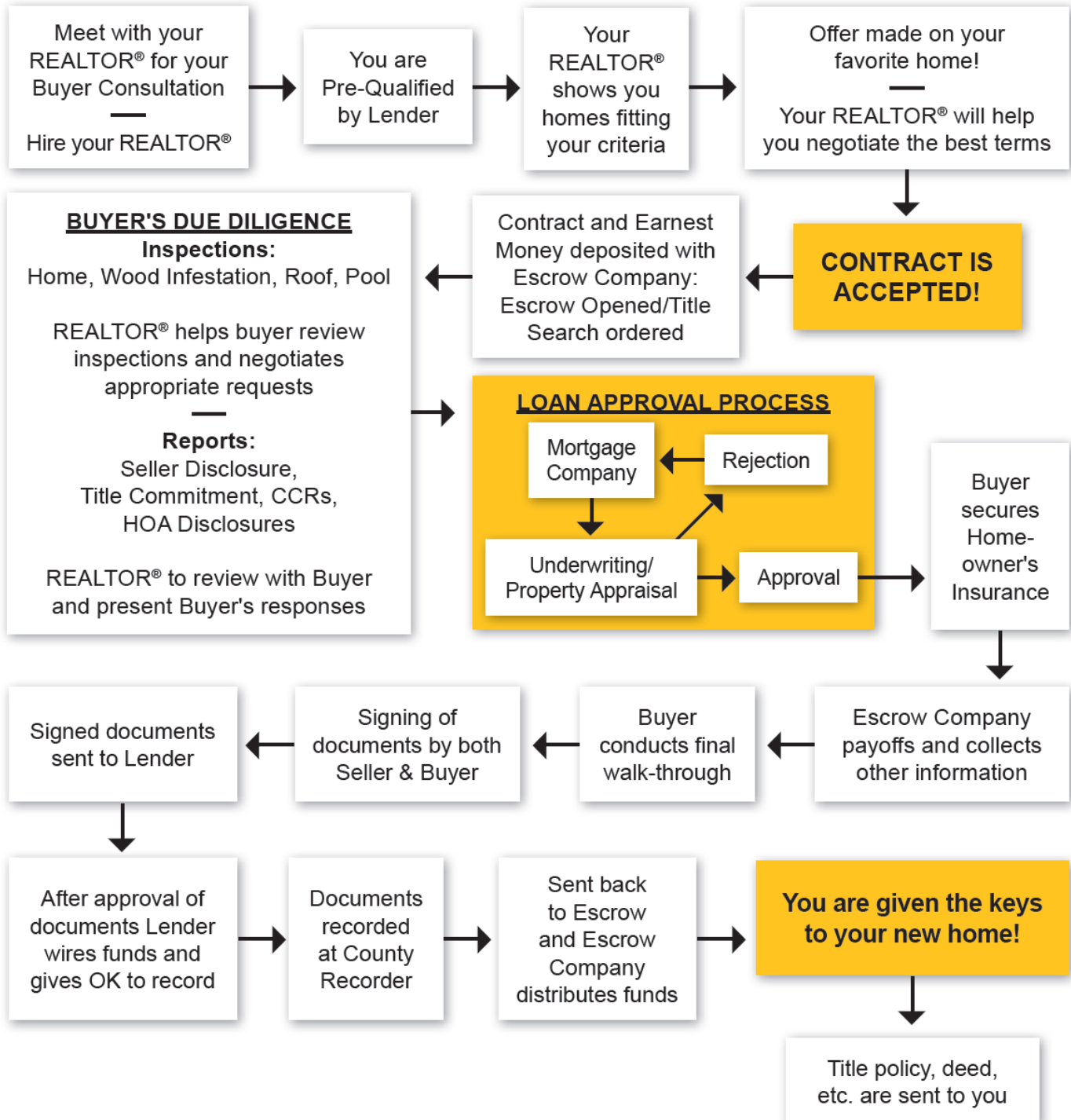




# The Home Buying Process





# Moving Checklist

## PLANNING IS THE KEY!

### ✓ Send Change of Address to:

- Post Office with forwarding address
- Charge Accounts / Credit Cards
- Subscriptions
- Friends and Relatives

### ✓ Notify:

- Bank – transfer funds, arrange for check cashing in new city. Carry Travelers' Checks for ready cash
- Insurance – Notify your insurance provider
- Utility Companies – gas, light, water, telephone. Make arrangements in new town. If you are moving before the final closing on your new home is completed, you need to leave utilities on.
- During the cold season, winterize the plumbing.
- Delivery People – cancel newspaper, landscaper, laundry, etc.
- Make arrangements with cable television service.

### ✓ Miscellaneous Checklist:

- Automobile registrations – Remember to transfer car title, registration, driver's license and auto club membership.
- Medical records – Arrange for medical and dental records to be transferred. Ask your physician for a referral.
- Employment Recommendations – Have teenagers obtain written recommendations from their current employers.
- Empty freezer and defrost.
- Have appliances serviced for moving.
- Plan for special care needs of infants.
- Carry currency, jewelry and documents yourself.
- Leave old keys and garage door openers with your real estate agent.
- Transfer school transcripts.

### TIPS FOR KIDS

When you move, provide the children with photographs of their new home and school. Once they know what to expect and begin to visualize themselves in their new surroundings, they become much happier and more cooperative.

Give each child his or her own "packing labels" for marking personal possessions. Provide them with floor plans of their new bedrooms so they can participate in furniture placement.

Give children small address books for noting names and addresses of friends they leave behind. They can look forward to filling the remainder of the book with names of the new friends they make after moving.