MEMBER COVID-19 Update – <u>Podcast with useful</u> <u>information</u> <u>for conducting real estate in red and orange</u> zones.

Dear Members:

Podcast

NBREA recently prepared a podcast with guidance and best practices for REALTORS® operating in a zone which is in the red or orange phase of recovery. NBREA encourages <u>all_REALTORS®</u> to listen to this podcast as it contains some valuable information from a few different perspectives. The podcast can be found HERE

Recent Provincial Announcements.

On Saturday January 23 at midnight, Zone 4 (Edmundston region) entered a lockdown. The province has issued a detailed list of lockdown restrictions which can be found in the following: Lockdown restrictions link. It is anticipated that these restrictions will be in place for a minimum of 14 days. For those REALTORS® located in a zone subject to lockdown restrictions we strongly recommend that you limit your real estate transactions to essential transactions only and utilize virtual tools whenever possible. For more information on essential real estate transactions, please refer to the member dispatch issued on January 20, 2021

In addition, on Tuesday January 26, 2021 at midnight, Zones 2 (Saint John region) and Zone 3 (Fredericton region) will move back to the orange phase from the red phase. Zone 1 (Moncton) region is to remain in the red phase until further notice. The most up-to-date rules for the various phases of recovery can be found in the following <u>link</u>. You may also wish to refer to the following <u>recovery level comparison</u>.

Review and Update Operational Plans

NBREA also reminds all agents (firms) and REALTORS® that they should review, and if applicable, update their operational plans. Peace officers are actively inspecting businesses and are distributing fines or closing down businesses that do not have an operational plan or that are not properly following their operational plan as outlined in the current Mandatory Order (click for link).

Key Reminders (CONSISTENTLY PUT THESE INTO PRACTICE)

We ask that all REALTORS® to please continue to be vigilant by following all public health guidelines including:

- stay home if you are sick.
- wash your hands regularly.
- maintain physical distancing (2 meters or 6 feet apart).
- wear non-medical masks.
- complete COVID-19 screening.
- regularly clean and disinfect high touch areas.

- retain proper contact tracing information.
- consistently carrying out all the actions outlined in your up-to-date operational plan and keep a copy with you at all times (electronic or hard copy).
- If you have COVID-19 symptoms, even if those symptoms are mild, please use the self-assessment tool available on-line to determine if you should be tested for COVID-19.
 Self-Assessment Tool; and
- Download the COVID-19 Alert App <u>Covid Alert App.</u> If you have questions including privacy concerns about the COVID Alert App, please click here.

Please get tested for COVID-19 if you have any symptoms, even if they are mild.

Thank you for doing your part to protect your clients, your fellow REALTORS® and all New Brunswickers!