

THE ULTIMATE GUIDE TO SELLING YOUR HOME



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Are you planning to sell your home in Barrie or the Greater Toronto Area (GTA)? Whether you're upsizing, downsizing, relocating, or just testing the market, selling a home is a big decision that requires planning, preparation, and smart strategy. This guide walks you through everything you need to know to sell your home with confidence—and maximize your profit.

Step 1: Know the Market

Before you list your property, take time to understand current market conditions:

- What's the average selling price in your area?
- Are homes selling quickly or sitting on the market?
- Is it a buyer's or seller's market?

Use local resources, like recent MLS® sales, or speak with a realtor to get an accurate market snapshot.

Step 2: Price It Right

One of the biggest mistakes sellers make is overpricing their home. Buyers today are informed—and if your home is overpriced, it may sit on the market longer and ultimately sell for less.

A comparative market analysis (CMA) will show you how your home stacks up against similar homes in your neighborhood. A good listing agent can help you price your home competitively to attract serious buyers.

Step 3: Prepare Your Home to Shine

First impressions count. A well-presented home can generate more interest and sell faster. Here's how to prepare:

- **Declutter** and depersonalize each room
- **Deep clean** your home, especially kitchens and bathrooms
- **Fix minor repairs** like leaky faucets or squeaky doors
- **Enhance curb appeal** with landscaping and a fresh front door
- **Consider staging** to help buyers visualize the space

Step 4: Choose the Right Realtor

A skilled realtor will guide you through pricing, marketing, negotiations, and closing. Consider:

- Experience in your local market
- Transparent commission structure (e.g. 1% listing agent)
- Proven marketing plan
- Strong negotiation and communication skills

Working with a **1% commission realtor** can save you thousands while still getting full-service support.

Step 5: Market Like a Pro

Today's buyers are online. Make sure your home is:

- Professionally photographed
- Listed on MLS®, Realtor.ca, and major real estate sites
- Shared on social media and local groups
- Highlighted with detailed descriptions and key features

Bonus Tip: Host a virtual tour or video walkthrough for even greater reach.

Step 6: Review Offers & Negotiate

When offers come in, don't just look at the price—consider:

- Buyer financing conditions
- Closing date flexibility
- Home inspection clauses

Your agent will help you negotiate the best terms and avoid common pitfalls.

Step 7: Close the Sale

Once you accept an offer:

- Complete the home inspection
- Work with a real estate lawyer to review documents
- Sign the Agreement of Purchase and Sale
- Prepare for moving day

Final Thought: Sell Smart, Not Expensive

You don't need to spend 5% in commissions to get a great result. A full-service **1% listing agent** can help you sell quickly and for top dollar—without overpaying.

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