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DEFINITIONS

As used in this Manual, the following terms have the meanings indicated:

"MRCAOR" Means the Mountain Resort Communities Association of

REALTORS®, its elected Board of Directors and its designees.

"DRE" Means the California Department of Real Estate.

"MLS" Means the Mountain Resort Communities Association of

REALTORS®, Inc. Multiple Listing Service.

"MLS Rules" Means the Mountain Resort Communities Association of

REALTORS® Multiple Listing Service Rules and Regulations as

adopted and amended from time to time by MRCAR.

"Participant" Has the same meaning as in the MRCAR MLS Rules.

"Subscriber" Has the same meaning as in the MRCAR MLS Rules.

"Certified/Licensed Appraisers" Has the same meaning as in the MRCAR MLS Rules.

"Clerical Users" "Licensee" Has the same meaning as in the MRCAR MLS Rules.

"Licensee" Means an individual who is licensed as a salesperson or broker by

the DRE.

"Users" Means a Participant (either a Broker Participant or an Appraiser

Participant) and all Subscribers (either a R.E. Subscriber or an Appraiser Subscriber) and Clerical Users employed by or affiliated as independent contractors with the Participant or the

Participant's firm.

MEMBERSHIP

Application for and acceptance to membership are as set forth in the MLS Rules. There are no leaves of absence. A new MLS Participant must complete New Member Orientation within 30 days after access has been granted or MLS access will be suspended until the Orientation requirement is met.

Annual List of Participant's Users

Periodically upon request, each Participant will provide MRCAOR with a complete written list of all Participant's Users, including full names, addresses, telephone, and email contact information.

Each Participant will immediately notify the MLS of any changes, additions or deletions to the list of Participant's Users.

Changes to Membership

Participant Terminating Membership

- 1. Notify MRCAOR Office by mail, e-mail or fax
- 2. Submit letter of termination
- 3. Pay all monies owed
- 4. Terminate Agents
- 5. Terminate or Transfer Listings (if applicable) within 3 days

Broker Terminating Agent

- 1. Broker: notify MRCAOR Office by mail, e-mail or fax and complete and submit appropriate paperwork to MRCAOR Office within 3 days of termination of an Agent
- 2. Broker: terminate or reassign listings
- 3. MRCOR Office: remove Supra access

Agent Voluntarily Terminating

- 1. Agent: notify MRCAOR Office by mail, e-mail or fax and complete and submit appropriate paperwork to MRCAOR Office within 3 days of termination
- 2. Broker: terminate or reassign listings
- 3. MRCAOR Office: remove Supra access

Agents Transferring to New Broker

Agent or Broker: notify MRCAOR Office by mail, e-mail or fax and complete and submit appropriate paperwork to MRCAOR Office within 3 days.

MLS FEES

Participant original Initiation Fee (paid by Broker Participant; non-transferable, non- refundable, one-time fee as long as the membership is kept active; copy of Broker's DRE License required)	\$1000
Agent application fee	\$250
Change of Office's Participant/Broker, if new Broker is current MLS subscriber	\$250
Change of Office's Participant/Broker, if new Broker is NOT current MLS subscriber	\$500
Participant reactivation fee after Suspension	\$250
Reactivation fee for a returning member in good standing, if returning and renewing within the calendar year	\$50
Quarterly charge for each office	\$90
Quarterly Agent Access Fee Charge for each new Board-loaded listing	\$135.00 \$50.00

Application fee MLS Appraiser Participant (non-transferable, non-refundable, one time fee as long as the membership is kept active; copy of Appraiser license is required	\$250.00
Quarterly charge for each Appraiser Participant	\$165.00
Charge for each returned check	\$35.00
Reinstate a Member in Good Standing within the calendar year	\$50.00
Program cooperative Supra access	\$50.00

Lockboxes may be purchased at the MRCAOR office. Please call for current pricing and availability.

BILLING

Quarterly Statements

Participants and Subscribers are billed quarterly for MLS Access. Statements are emailed prior to the first week of the quarter being billed and must be paid by the statement due date. Quarterly MLS fees are considered prepaid and *no refunds will be issued, including for cancellation of membership nor agent transfers.*

Delinquent Accounts

Accounts paid late or not paid in full are deemed delinquent. Any portion of quarterly statements that remain unpaid after the due date will be assessed a 10% Late Fee. Accounts delinquent one or more times or remaining delinquent 30 days after the billing date may, in MRCAOR's discretion, be placed on a cash- and -carry basis indefinitely. An account that is delinquent while on a cash- and- carry basis will be subject to a 10% per month service fee.

Pursuant to MLS Rule 17.1, Participants will be suspended for non-payment of MLS Fees. Upon suspension, the Participant's lockbox access will be inactivated within three (3) calendar days of suspension. A \$250 fee is assessed to reactivate membership after suspension. MRCAOR reserves the right to deny membership renewal after suspension.

Fees are subject to applicable debt collection and bankruptcy laws. MRCAOR reserves the right to waive fees, in its sole discretion, for verified extenuating circumstances, such as illness or military duty.

MLS PASSWORDS

MRCAOR issues an MLS password to each Participant, Subscriber, and Clerical User. Participants and Subscribers may change their passwords at any time.

FRAUDULANT LISTINGS

Should the Agent and/or Broker discover a listing to be fraudulent, said listing is to be placed into 'Hold' status, immediately notify the Association office and Association shall immediately remove said listing in its entirety from the MLS

CLERICAL USER ACCESS

Sharing login information for MLS access is prohibited. All Clerical Users will have their own Username and Password with independent tracking that does not interfere with their employing Participant or Subscriber's access. The Participant/Subscriber provides the Clerical User full access to their MLS data, at their security level, for administrative purposes. All Clerical Users must register with the MRCAOR office and provide a copy of the executed Clerical User Agreement. The responsible Participant/Subscriber must notify the MLS Administrator immediately upon termination of the relationship with the Clerical User. Any violation caused by a Clerical User is the responsibility of the employing Participant and Subscriber and will be subject to the same disciplinary actions and fines as outlined in the MLS Rules and Policies and Procedures Manual. Clerical Users will have a unique Orientation and must complete Orientation within 30 days of gaining access to the MLS.

MLS MESSAGE SCREEN

Users may request display of Broker Open House information on the News and Alerts by contacting the MRCAOR office in writing by email or hand delivery. Displays of Broker Open Houses on the MLS will not contain any descriptive information of the property other than the property address, any necessary driving directions, and MLS number. Requests for any other message are subject to approval by MRCAOR in its discretion.

LOCKBOX KEYS

MRCAOR Lockbox and Lockbox access use must comply with MLS Rules 13 through 13.11 and with the following:

Users are REQUIRED to do the following:

- Users must remain in good standing with MRCAOR MLS and in compliance with the Lockbox/Key provider
- Users must maintain the security of their Key and their Personal Identification Number (PIN) and prevent its use by unauthorized persons.
- Users must keep their Access in their possession or in a safe place at all times.
- Users must safeguard the code for each Key box from all other individuals and entities, whether or not they are authorized keyholders of the MLS.

<u>Users are NOT permitted to do the following:</u>

- Attach their PIN to the Lockbox Key.
- Share their PIN number with anyone.
- Lend the Key/code access to any person or entity.

LISTING DATA INPUT

No listing information will be entered or changed by MLS Administrator unless submitted in writing, and unless the Participant/Subscriber is unable to make such changes with their access level.

Reported Listing/Selling Agent

Listing Broker has the authority to designate the listing agent and Selling Broker has the authority to designate the selling agent in the MLS

New Listings

All new listings will be in compliance with the MLS Rules, Section 7.5 Mandatory Submission. Modification of Terms must be submitted within 1 day.

Sold Pre-Listing

A listing that has been sold prior to being listed in the MLS must still be entered into the MLS with a Pending (U) or Sold (S) status within 3 days.

Duplicate Listings

There is to be only one Active Listing record **in** the MLS database depicting the property type of best use. Exceptions: 1) A business listed as a Business Opportunity being sold separately from the real property may be listed under one MLS number and the real property being sold as Commercial Property may be listed under another MLS number. 2) A property with multi-use zoning or a property that is currently being used differently, either entirely or in part from its current zoning. i.e.: A commercially zoned property being used as residential, or a residentially zoned property being used as commercial, or a property with residential/commercial multi-use possibility; Shall be permitted to have one MLS number for the Residential property type listing and another MLS number for the Commercial property type listing. 3) A property that is being listed as a Lease and for sale. 4) A property that is being listed as both Vacant Land and Under Construction (must possess active building permits).

Only one MLS number may be reported as Sold and the other must be canceled. Each MLS number shall be referenced in Confidential Remarks.

Fractional Ownership Listings

Fractional Ownership properties are to be listed in Property Type Recreational and Sub Property Type Time Share Fractional. They must be identified in the first line of the Public Remarks section with the words: "Fractional Ownership" followed by the amount of ownership expressed as either a percentage or a fraction (for example: "Fractional ownership of 75%" or "Fraction ownership of 34.")

Short Sale Listings

A listing that is a Short Sale is to be listed as Category Short Sale and <u>must</u> state the following wording in the Confidential Remarks section: "Short Sale or potential Short Sale

Expired Listings

An expired listing that is "re-listed" within 30 days of expiration by the same Broker for the same Owner, with the same address must be "revived" with the original MLS Number.

A new Broker may not co-list a property with the Broker under which the original listing expired and enter it as new.

Canceling and Re-listing Property

A listing must reflect a true and accurate status at all times. Listing agents may not cancel a listing and re-list the same property to reflect a "New" status. The listing must be "revived" with the original MLS Number, except when the property has been Canceled or Expired for more than 30

days. A new Broker may not co-list a property with the Broker under which the original listing was cancelled and enter it as new.

Under Construction, New Construction DOM

Building permits are required to use "Under Construction" property Category; Once the Participant/Subscriber changes the Category from "Under Construction" to "New Construction" (with required Certificate of Occupancy), Participant/Subscriber may contact the MRCAOR office to reset DOM to zero.

Comp-Only Sales Input

Pursuant to MLS Rule 10.3, Comp-Only sales are to be input using the "Comp-Only" input form for the appropriate property type

Photos

All listings must include, within 3 days of listing in the MLS, at least one photo of the subject property (except where sellers expressly direct that photographs of their property not appear in the MLS compilations). Reasonable exceptions may be made when the subject property is proven to be inaccessible for reasons other than weather. Proof must be submitted to the MRCAOR office.

All photos displayed in the MLS are to be taken by or for the current listing agent. Copies of photos from other agents are not to be used unless written permission from the other agent has been obtained, and submitted to the MRCAOR office.

All photos must be taken of or from the subject property and detail the characteristics of the subject property. A wide scale photo of the valley may not be placed in the listing unless it was taken from the subject property. Any aerial photos submitted to the MLS must be taken from above the subject property and subject property must appear in the photo.

No photos of "similar to" or "same floor plan as" or "models of the subject property are allowed.

An artist's rendering that details the characteristics of the subject property must be labeled as an "Artist's Rendering."

Photo and artist renderings may not contain logos, branding, or contact information.

Address

All listings must have <u>complete addresses</u> when available. If no address has been assigned, a reference must be made in the Public Remarks section. Street names must be spelled correctly.

Assessor Parcel Number

The Assessor's Parcel Number is a mandatory field. Every listing (except Business Opportunity) must contain the number assigned by the County Assessor's Office. If an APN number has not been assigned, a reference must be made in the Public Remarks section of the listing.

Association Dues

Association Dues is a required field. The frequency of the dues amount entered must be selected. If not applicable, enter "O."

Boat Dock/Boat Dock Available

The Boat Dock/Boat Dock Available field may be used only if the Seller currently owns or has conveyable title or a lease for a boat dock.

City

The City is a required field. The correct city name must be used.

Construction Type

The Construction Type field is a mandatory field and must be used in all residential listings. The following are descriptions of the types of construction:

Manufactured/Modular Homes/ Mobile Homes

Manufactured Home

A manufactured home is defined as "a structure that was constructed on or after June 15, 1976, is transportable in one or more sections, is eight body feet or more in width, or 40 body feet or more in length, in the traveling mode, or, when erected on site, is 320 or more square feet, is built on a permanent chassis and designed to be used as a single-family dwelling with or without a foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems. "Manufactured home" also includes any structure that meets all the requirements above except for the size requirements, and with respect to which, the manufacturer voluntarily files a certification and complies with the standards established under the National Manufactured Housing Construction and Safety Act of 1974 (42 U.S.C.§ 5401 et seq.). (Cal. Health & Safety Code§ 18007.)

Mobile Home

A Mobile Home is defined as "a structure that was constructed prior to June 15, 1976, is transportable in one or more sections, is eight body feet or more in width, or 40 body feet or more in length, in the traveling mode, or, when erected on site, is 320 or more square feet, is built on permanent chassis and designed to be used as a single-family dwelling with or without a foundation when connected to the required utilities, and includes the plumbing, heating, air conditioning, and electrical systems. (Cal. Health & Safety Code § 18008). 'Mobile home' also includes trailers which are used for human habitation if the occupancy criteria of either paragraph (1) or (2), as follows, are met:

- 1). The trailer or other recreational vehicle occupies a mobile home site in the park on November 15, 1992, under a rental agreement with a term of one month or longer, and the trailer or other recreational vehicle occupied a mobile home site in the park prior to January 1, 1991.
- 2). The trailer or other recreational vehicle occupies a mobile home site in the park for nine or more continuous months commencing on or after November 15, 1992.

Modular Homes

A modular home is controlled by UBC Uniform Building Code, now called California Building Code, and are also regulated by UBC and should have a sticker on it.

• Modular homes are built in sections at a factory.

- Modular homes are built to conform to all state, local or regional building codes at their destinations.
- Sections are transported to the building site on truck beds, then joined together by local contractors.
- Local building inspectors check to make sure a modular home's structure meets requirements and that all finish work is done properly.
- Modular homes are *sometimes* less expensive per square foot than site-built houses.
- A well-built modular home should have the same longevity as its site-built counterpart, increasing in value over time.

On-Site Built

On-site built or "stick built" construction comes in a variety of styles and is done in separate stages.

- Materials are delivered to a parcel of land and assembled completely from start to finish at the site.
- Beginning with the excavation for foundation, sewer, plumbing and sometimes all the utilities then moving up to the separate deliveries of lumber to start the framing, siding, sheeting, rough plumbing, rough electrical, insulation, drywall or interior finish material, windows and doors, exterior finish lumber or material usually resembling but not limited to resembling lumber for fascia, window and door trim, interior finish lumber or material usually but not limited to resembling lumber. Each stage is usually worked on separately and inspected on the site.
- Then finishing the interior entails a variety of cabinetwork set in place, installing of counter to materials, finish plumbing, electrical, flooring & carpet if used. Once again, each stage has to be inspected individually.
- All engineering and building is regulated by either the San Bernardino County Building Department or the City of Big Bear Lake Building Department to incorporate the necessary safety codes.

Lot Dimensions

Dimensions are to be stated starting from the front right comer and then clockwise.

Owner Name

Upon any form of written authorization signed by the seller requesting their name not appear in the MLS, may use "On File" for the owner's name.

Property Style

Lakefront

For a listing to be placed in the Lakefront Field it must meet the following definition-"Touching High Water Line" and be west of Stanfield Cut-Off for the Big Bear and/or Fawnskin areas.

Acreage

For a listing to be placed in the Acreage Field it must meet the following definition -- Lot must be a minimum of 43,560 sq ft.

Equestrian

For a listing to be placed in the Equestrian Field the property must qualify under and follow the City and County guidelines for horses.

Remarks

Language used in the Public and Confidential Remarks section must be in compliance with and not violate HUD/Fair Housing guidelines. All text in the Public and Confidential Remarks section must be entered in the English language.

Public Remarks

The Public Remarks section shall not include any website address, e-mail address, phone numbers, alarm or gate codes or agent or assistant names.

Confidential Remarks

The Confidential Remarks section may be used for agent-to-agent communication.

Syndication Remarks

Syndication remarks may include the same information as Public Remarks, with the addition of Agent name, phone number, email address, website address, and social media handles. The Participant/Subscriber may select one of the following "call to action" phrases within their syndication remarks: "For more information call"or "Property offered by...."

Contact to Show

The Contact to Show field is used for names.

Phone Show

The Phone to Show field is used for phone number

Showing Instructions

Lockbox

The notation "LIB" in the Showing Instructions field means that an MRCAOR approved Lockbox is already installed on the property.

Combo Lockboxes

If Combo Box is selected, the combination must be put in the Confidential Remarks field.

Status Definitions

On-Market Statues

- (A) Active A valid listing contract exists and no offer (with or without contingencies) has been accepted.
- **(B)** Back-UpOffer accepted and either: (1) Seller is willing to show the property and accept back-up offers and requests property remain in On- Market status; or (2) sale is subject to court or other third-party approval.

Off-Market Statuses

(CS) Coming Soon

Coming Soon (CS): A temporary, optional starting status that can be selected by the Listing Broker, with consent by the Seller, for when the property is not ready for Active status even though the listing must be submitted to the MLS pursuant to Rule 7.5.. The listing can remain in Coming Soon status for no more than 21 days after the start date of the listing. The listing status will be automatically changed to Active after the listing has been in Coming Soon status for the maximum number of days permitted pursuant to this rule. Once a listing has been moved from Coming Soon to Active status, the Listing Broker cannot change the listing back to Coming Soon status unless it has been in Canceled status for at least 30 days. Any publicfacing marketing done by the Listing Broker (i.e. signs, printed materials, and digital and social media) while a listing is in Coming Soon status must clearly indicate that the listing is in Coming Soon status. No showings of the property or open houses are permitted while the listing is in Coming Soon status. Buyers can make offers on properties in Coming Soon status which must be presented to the Seller in compliance with these rules

(H) Hold

A valid listing contract is in effect; however, due to reasons such as repairs, illness, guests, Seller requests no showings for a maximum of 14 days.

(L) Leased

The property has been leased.

(P) Pending

Seller has accepted an offer and is not soliciting further offers. Any incidental remaining marketing is not a violation of Rule 7.5.

(S) Sold

Escrow has closed.

(W) Withdrawn

A valid listing contract is in effect; however, the property is no longer being marketed. Contact or solicitation for the listing by other agents/Participants is subject to grievance/disciplinary action.

(E) Expired

Listing contract has expired, i.e. the time frame of the existing listing contract has run out.

(C) Canceled

Seller has terminated or cancelled the listing contract in writing and no valid or active listing contract remains in force. For the same broker to relist the same address for the same owner within 30 days of cancellation, the original MLS listing must be "revived" with the original MLS Number. (Seller may be contacted and solicited for the listing by other Agents/ Participants).

Value Price Range Pricing

If a Participant elects to utilize a "Value Price Range" in a listing, the highest price within the range must be shown in the List Price field and the full range must be stated in the Public Remarks. For example: "Seller will entertain offers between ______ and

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Virtual Tour Links

Virtual Tour Links must be representative of the subject property and its surroundings and must not include the agent or broker's photo, name, address, phone numbers, e-mail addresses, advertising, website addresses or link to a website.

CITATION POLICY

To ensure the integrity of the MLS and the MLS database, MRCAOR has established this Citation Policy in accordance with Section 14.3 of the MLS Rules. This policy is not all-inclusive, may not reflect Violations of the Code of Ethics, and does not replace Professional Standards Enforcement. Fines will be issued in accordance with this Citation Policy, subject to change by MRCAOR. Definitions.

Violation Omission of required data from an MLS listing; including in an MLS listing

any data that is inaccurate, misleading, prohibited, inconsistent with the intent of or not in compliance with the provisions of the MLS Rules;

unauthorized dissemination of MLS data.

Violator User who has entered a listing not in compliance.

Responsible Participant Violator or his/her employing Broker, Participant, or Subscriber.

Tracking Period Twelve (12) months commencing on the Receipt Date of the Violator's

first Notice of Violation and Fines and ending on the last day of the twelfth

month thereafter.

Notice Date Date appearing on the *Notice of Violation and Fines*.

Receipt Date One (1) business day after courtesy telephone call and email or facsimile

transmission.

Correction Period Commencing on Receipt Date and ending at 11:59 p.m. on the first business

day after the Receipt Date.

Additional Fine Period Each three calendar day period following expiration of the Correction Period

until the Violation is corrected.

Identifying Violations

Violations of the MLS Rules and this Citation Policy are identified in two ways:

MLS Administrator Review

The MLS Administrator reviews all fields of each MLS listing and identifies Violations of the MLS Rules and this Citation Policy.

Reports by Individuals

Interested individuals may report Violations by:

- Contacting the MRCAOR Office via telephone, or email, or
- Using the Report Data Error button on the listing display screen within the MLS.

Violation Reports

Violation reports will be processed within 72 business hours; incomplete Violation reports will not be processed. Violation reports must be in writing, dated, signed, and include the following information:

- Name and office of the alleged Violator
- · Property address
- MLS Number
- Nature of the Violation (specific facts and clear statement of rule or policy violated)
- Name and contact information of reporting person (will remain confidential)

Reporting of Violations Will Remain Confidential

When requested by a complainant, the MLS shall provide for processing reports of violations without revealing the complainant's identity. If the matter is forwarded to hearing, then the MLS Committee, Grievance Committee, MLS staff or other representative must serve as the complainant when the original complainant does not consent to participating in the process or the disclosure of his or her name.

Courtesy Phone Calls

Upon discovering a Violation or receiving a report of a Violation, as a courtesy the MLS Administrator may place a phone call to the Violator and, if the Violator is a Subscriber, may also call the Responsible Participant and give verbal notice of the Violation. The courtesy calls are not required and failure to make the calls is not grounds for disputing Violations or fines.

Notice of Violation and Fines

Upon discovering a Violation or receiving a report of a Violation, the MLS Administrator sends a written *Notice of Violation and Fines* to the Violator and, if the Violator is a Subscriber, a copy of the *Notice of Violation and Fines* is sent to the Responsible Participant.

NOTICE: The *Notice of Violation and Fines* is the <u>only</u> written notice that will be sent regarding a Violation and fines; assessment of fines, penalties and administrative fees regarding the *Notice Violation* will be made without additional notices being sent.

Correction of Violation

All noticed Violations must be corrected, and written confirmation of the correction must be delivered to the MLS Administrator within the Correction Period. A Violator who is unable to correct the Violation during the Correction Period may verbally request the Participant or the MRCAOR Office make the correction to the listing and provide the MLS Administrator a written permission statement within three (3) business days.

Additional Fine Periods

Failure to correct a noticed Violation within the Correction Period results in assessment of a fine as if a second Violation. Failure to correct a noticed Violation within the Additional Fine Periods results in assessment of fines as if a third and subsequent Violation. Additional Fine Period fines are assessed for each Additional Fine Period until the Violation is corrected or the maximum fine is reached (see Fine Schedule below).

Tiered Violations, Escalating Fine Levels, and Hearings

There are three tiers of Violations with corresponding fine levels based on the type of rule violated and the impact or potential harm the Violation causes. Fines are assessed and escalate based on the tier level, the number of Additional Fine Periods before the Violation is corrected, and the number of Violations noticed to the violation recipient within the Tracking Period (see Fine Schedule below). Fines are the responsibility of the violation recipient. Fines are due within fifteen (15) calendar days of billing. Any Participant or Subscriber who accumulates in excess of 3 (three) violations in one calendar year, unless otherwise specified, shall be required to attend a hearing for their actions and potential violations of MLS rules. Additionally, the responsible Participant is required to attend any such hearing of a Subscriber.

Suspension of MLS Privileges

Failure to pay assessed fines may result in suspension of MLS privileges pursuant to the MLS Rules, Rule 17.1. If the maximum accumulated fine amount has been assessed and the Violation has not been corrected, the violation recipient's MLS privileges may be suspended for no less than thirty (30) days and up to one (1) year) if the Violation remains uncorrected and any accumulated fines have not been paid.

MRCAOR Listing Deletion

MRCAOR reserves the right, but is not obligated, to delete a listing that contains a Violation if a *Notice* of *Violation and Fines* is given and correction is not made within the Correction Period, and to charge violation recipient an administration fee of \$50.00.

Twelve Month Tracking Period

Violations are tracked on a 12-month basis, commencing on the Receipt Date of the violation recipient's first *Notice of Violation and Fines* and ending on the last day of the twelfth month thereafter ("Tracking Period"). The Violation count is reset to zero (0) on the anniversary of the violation recipient's first *Notice of Violation and Fines*.

Multiple Violations in a Listing

A listing containing more than one Violation on the same day is treated as a single Violation, regardless of the category or nature of the Violation, and is subject to the fine applicable to the highest or most severe Violation.

Request for Administrative Review

Within fifteen (15) calendar days of the Receipt Date of the *Notice of Violation and Fines*, the violation recipient may submit a *Request for Administrative Review*. Within sixty (60) calendar days of the Receipt Date of the *Request for Administrative Review*, the MRCAOR Board of Directors will review the Violation and send a written *Notice of Decision* to the violation recipient. The decision of the Board of Directors is final. Unless withdrawn, the Violation must be corrected within one (1) business day of the Receipt Date of the *Notice of Decision*, and the fine is due and payable as required by the *Notice of Decision*.

Request for Hearing

Within fifteen (15) calendar days of the Receipt Date of the *Notice of Violation and Fines*, the violation recipient may submit a written *Request for Hearing* and a hearing will be conducted according to the procedures established by MRCAOR.

Violations and Fines

TIER 1 Violations of MLS Data - erroneous, misleading, incomplete, or inaccurate listing information.

- a) Wrong Area (Rule 7.11)
- b) Incomplete Address (Rule 7.11)
- c) No photo (Rule 11.5)
- d) Inaccurate lot size or dimension (Rule 7.11)
- e) Withdrawing listings before expiration without authorization (Rule 7.9)
- f) Unreported change in listing within 3 days (Rule 7.8)
- g) Unauthorized extension (Rule 8.2; Rule 7.19)
- h) New listing not submitted within 1 business day after marketing to the public (Rule 7.5)
- i) Any phone numbers, website address, email address, agent names in the Public Remarks (Rule 12.5; Rule 7.11)
- j) Unreported contingencies (Rule 7.10)
- k) Advertising MLS listings of "Opted Out" broker without prior consent (Rule 12.8)
- 1) Improper use of Active listing information including any IDX Violations (Rule 12.16)
- m) Abuse of the MLS system by exploiting the MLS software functions for marketing purposes or to gain a competitive advantage. (Rule 12.10)
- n) Failure to Provide Lawfully Required Privacy Notices and Opt-Out Rights [Rule 11.10 (Data Privacy)]
- o) Any reference to Broker compensation (Rule 12.5)
- p) Representing Manufactured or Modular homes as On Site Built (Rule 7.11)
- q) Branding, advertising, or contact information in a Virtual Tour (Rule 12.5 and 11.5)
- r) Clerical User not registered with MRCAOR office (Rule 4.3)
- s) MOT not submitted within 1 business day (Rule 7.6)
- t) Failure to provide seller's written direction to alter time of submission of offers; failure to provide clear and accurate notice of altered offer presentation date/time (Rule 9.4)

u) Failure to timely provide written verification that offer was presented (or that seller waived the obligation to have offer presented (Rule 9.5)

Tier 1 Violation Fines:

First Violation	0\$ if timely corrected; not timely corrected \$200.00
Second Violation	\$200.00
Third and subsequent Violations	\$400.00

Uncorrected Violation - 1st Additional Fine Period \$200.00

2nd and subsequent Additional Fine Periods \$400.00

Maximum accumulated fine for a single Violation \$2000.00 Additional Violations after maximum fine reached MLS Suspension*

Failure to pay fines MLS Suspension*

TIER 2 Violations of MLS Rules that affect safety - put individuals or real or personal property at risk

Wrongful Use or Removal of Lockbox Contents; Failure to Follow Showing Instructions [Rule 13.2.1 (Use of Lockbox Contents)]

Any words or phrases in the **Public Remarks** that allow unauthorized access or put occupants or property at risk (Rule 12.5). The MLS Administrator will delete the offending word or phrase.

Examples include the following:

lockbox code	gate code	door unlocked
out of town	on vacation	empty
works nights/days	not home	owner
		moved/gone
lives alone	divorced/separated	elderly
disabled	hard of hearing	blind
pregnant	kids home	babysitter
	out of town works nights/days lives alone disabled	out of town on vacation works nights/days not home lives alone divorced/separated disabled hard of hearing

Tier 2 Violation Fines:

First Violation	\$0 if timely corrected; not timely corrected \$400
Second Violation	\$400.00
Third and subsequent Violations	\$800.00
Uncorrected Violation - 1st Additional F	Tine Period \$400.00

^{*}Suspension is for no less than thirty (30) days nor more than one (1) year)

- $2^{\rm nd}$ and subsequent Additional Fine Periods \$800.00 Maximum accumulated fine for a

single Violation \$8,000.00

Additional Violations after maximum fine reached \$1,500.00 & 60 day suspension Failure to pay fines \$1,500.00 & 60 day suspension

TIER 3 Violations of the proprietary nature of the MLS Data -- unauthorized dissemination of MLS data

Sharing all or any portion of the MLS compilation with any third-party vendor not authorized by the MLS (Rule 12.11 [Use of MLS information]; Rule 12.12 [Confidentiality of MLS information], and Rule 12.15 [Reproduction]).

Failure to follow or exhaust required internal pre-procedure for participant vs participant complaints of unauthorized use of listing content prior to proceeding to Court [Rule 11.12 (Pursuing Complaints of Unauthorized Use of Listing Content)]

Tier 3 Violation Fines:

First Violation Written *Notice of Violation and Fines*Second Violation \$5000.00 and 120 day suspension

Subsequent Violations Professional Standards Committee disciplinary action Failure to

comply Professional Standards Committee disciplinary action

Tier 3 Special Violation -Violation of the NAR Settlement Rule Regarding Compensation

Any communication regarding compensation to Buyer's Broker in the MRCAOR- inclusive of lock boxes- is subject to a \$2,500 fine.