



The Timeline of a Home Purchase

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Get pre-approved. 

This will prove you're a serious buyer and give you a leg up on bidding wars.

2



Choose a real estate agent.

Ask for referrals before signing a contract.

4



Make an offer on a home.

Offer lower than the asking price, but keep your offer realistic by looking at recent sales of comparable homes in the area.

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Start your search.

You can start online at sites like Zillow or Redfin.

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Attorney review. 

The lawyer will examine the contract carefully so there are no surprises.

6



**Home loan
goes into escrow.**

The loan is now under contract.

8



Close the sale.

Pack up and move in, the house is yours!

7



Home is inspected and appraised.

This assures the lender that the home is in good condition