

New SIP Revisions for Real Estate – Still No Open Houses

We are pleased to announce that our local and state Shelter in Place (SIP) orders were revised Thursday, April 30, 2020. While some restrictions for real estate have been lifted, we strongly urge all REALTORS® to continue to follow C.A.R.'s [best practices guidelines](#) to demonstrate REALTORS® care for the health and well being of their clients, colleagues and the public. For clarification, **open houses are still not allowed** at this time; however, **showings by appointment** with one buying party (following SIP [safety guidelines](#)) **are allowed. Showings should be done virtually when possible.**

Please read the following SIP orders below and continue to practice safety precautions during this time.

Santa Cruz County Shelter In Place Order Updated 4/30/2020

With respect to the Prior Shelter Order, the Health Officer makes the following modifications to the exemptions for "Essential Activities" and "Essential Businesses" set forth in paragraph 12:

6. f) With respect to section 12.f.x, real estate business activity is allowed to resume as long as it is in compliance with any and all orders issued by the State Public Health Officer or the Governor, and this Order shall be interpreted consistently with such State orders.

REALTORS® are required to adhere to the following state guidelines.

California State Shelter In Place Order Updated 4/30/2020

Residential and commercial real estate workers, limited to scheduled property viewings to a potential buying party. **This does not extend to open-house viewings, nor viewings with more than one buying party at a time.**

We want to thank the County of Santa Cruz Health Services Agency and our County Supervisors for their continued efforts and support during this time.

Please visit our COVID-19 page at www.myscar.org/covid.php to find updated information and resources pertaining to this issue.

Stay safe, stay healthy.

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