

What do I need to get ready for an appraisal?

The appraiser will need to inspect your home, during this process the appraiser will measure your home, usually inside and out, determine and draw a room layout and floor plan, confirm all aspects of the home's condition, and take several photos of your home (frequently interior AND exterior photos) to be included in the report.

The best thing you can do to assist the appraiser is to make sure the appraiser has easy access to the exterior of the home for measuring the structure and any additional buildings, make sure all mechanical systems (ie: plumbing, furnace, water heater, electrical) are accessible, and in some instances the appraiser will need to view the attic, so make sure the attic is accessible.

The following documents, if available, will also help your appraiser.:

A survey of the property

Blue print of the home

List of personal property to be included with sale, if applicable

List of date of replacement for all major items such as furnace, water heater, air conditioning, roof, electrical, plumbing, etc.

Any recent remodeling or additions.

If the appraisal is for agricultural land, the appraiser will also need copies or authorization to obtain all FSA documents, production history and any data available regarding any improvements to the property such as wells and pivots.



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