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#### **APRIL IS NATIONAL FAIR HOUSING MONTH!**

#### **COMMIT TO FAIR HOUSING FOR ALL:**

In 1968, one week after the assassination of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr., the U.S. Congress passed the Fair Housing Act. More than 50 years later, discrimination and racial segregation in housing continues. Recent investigations in Long Island, Boston, and Chicago show that discrimination is pervasive and real estate professionals are deeply involved in the discrimination. Our REALTOR® Association has re-committed to Fair Housing for all. Read about Equity in Real Estate <a href="here">here</a>.

#### TAKE A TRIP THROUGH FAIRHAVEN:

Fairhaven is a town every REALTOR® should visit. Online, that is. The National Association of REALTORS® has launched Fairhaven, a simulation training (no-cost) for REALTORS® to help identify, prevent, and address discriminatory practices in real estate. This online experience has agents work against the clock to sell homes in the fictional town of Fairhaven, while confronting discrimination in the homebuying process. You'll also walk in the shoes of a homebuyer facing discrimination. Visit Fairhaven <a href="here">here</a>.

For assistance with login information: 1-800-874-6500 Monday-Friday from 9:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

#### **FAIR HOUSING CORNER:**

Find additional resources <u>here</u> including advice on advertising, love letters or liability letters, and allegations of racial discrimination by Sellers.

#### **UPDATED Q & A:**

MAR's Q & A: Real Estate Transactions in Maine and COVID-19 was updated on March 28. Access the full document <u>here</u>.

## COVID-19 RESOURCES UPDATED REGULARLY:

The materials under the COVID-19 tab on

#### **Quick Links**

Maine Association of REALTORS®

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**Maine Listings** 

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#### **RAMCO Portal Links**

Greater Bangor Association of REALTORS®

Greater Portland Board of REALTORS®

Kennebec Valley Board of REALTORS®

## Maine Association of REALTORS®

- Maine Commercial Association
- MAR Only Members
- York County Council

## Mid-Coast Board of REALTORS®

- Acadia Council
- Mid-Coast Council
- Penobscot Bay Council

## Mountains to Shore Board of REALTORS®

- Androscoggin Valley Council
- Lincoln County Council
- Merrymeeting Council
- Western Maine Council

https://mainerealtors.com are regularly updated and now include links to a summary of the federal stimulus bill, American Rescue Plan Act of 2021, the federal CDC Eviction Moratorium (through June 30, 2021), and Maine's "Moving Maine Forward" plan. You can find upto-date resources <a href="https://example.com/here/br/>here/">here/</a>.

#### **MREC CORE COURSES:**

Effective April 1, 2021 (TODAY) the Maine Real Estate Commission core course requirement is dependent upon your license type as follows:

**Designated Brokers:** "Core Course for Designated Brokers – 4- Communication"

**Brokers and Associate Brokers:** "Core Course for Brokers and Associate Brokers – 4 - Communication"

The applicable course noted above is required if:

- your license expiration date is on or after April 1, 2021 (even if you renew before April 1, 2021).
- your license has expired and you renew on or after April 1, 2021.
- you activate a license on or after April 1, 2021.

Licensees with a license expiration date prior to April 1, 2021, who renew prior to April 1, 2021 may fulfill their core course requirement with either "Core Course for Designated Brokers – 3" or "Core Course for Brokers and Associate Brokers –3" (depending on your license type) or the new core course appropriate for the license type as noted above.

For any MREC Core Course

questions: rlestate.com@maine.gov or (207) 624-8521

#### **MAINE LISTINGS NEWS:**

- Upcoming Webinars
- When Can I Show a Coming Soon/ No Show Listing?
- Room's Field Reminder
- Recommending Listings in Flexmls
- MLS Connect Via zipForms

Here is the link



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