



MLSTalk List Rules

By joining and using Aspire North's e-mail list, you agree that you have read and will follow the rules and guidelines set for this peer discussion group. You also agree to reserve list discussions for topics best suited to the medium.

As with any community, there are guidelines governing behavior on the listserv. For instance, violating antitrust regulations, libeling others, selling, and marketing anything other than your own listings is not permissible. Please take a moment to acquaint yourself with these important guidelines.

The MLS Talk listserv is a moderated listserv, and is limited to the following types of communications:

- Announcement of new listings in the MLS
- Updated information about existing listings in the MLS
- Relisted properties, Rentals in the MLS,
- REALTOR® Tours/Lunches
- Communication from the MLS Committee regarding the Multiple Listing

Please review carefully all items listed in the disclaimer and legal rules below, particularly regarding the copyright ownership of information posted to the list. **Note that Aspire North REALTORS® and other e-mail list participants have the right to reproduce postings to this list.**

If you have questions, contact the list moderator, Lora Nesbitt (lora@nglrmls.com). Aspire North REALTORS® reserves the right to suspend or terminate membership on all lists for members who violate these rules.

Rules and Etiquette

1. Include a signature tag line on all messages. Include your name, affiliation, location, and e-mail address.
2. If you are staff administrator and posting for someone else, please indicate that in the subject line.
3. State concisely and clearly the specific topic in the subject line. This allows members to respond more appropriately to your posting and makes it easier for members to search the archives by subject.
4. Include only the relevant portions of the original message in your reply, delete any header information, and put your response before the original posting.
5. Only send a message to the entire list when it contains information that everyone can benefit from. Send messages such as "thanks for the information" or "me, too"



to individuals – not to the entire list. When you hit “REPLY” the default is for the individual. Hit “REPLY ALL” to include the entire list.

6. Do not send administrative messages, such as “remove me from the list”, through the listserv. Instead, use the web interface to change your settings or to remove yourself from a list. If you are changing your email address, send an email to michael@aspirenorthrealtors.com giving your old address and the new one.
7. MLS concerns should be directed to either the MLS Committee chair, or the MLS Administrator—not posted to the Listserv.
8. Do not challenge or attack others.
9. Do not post commercial messages. The cyberspace term for this is spamming. Contact people directly with products and services that you believe would help them. MLSTalk is not intended to be a marketing/advertising tool, nor is it the means to present personal opinions or request/offer services (plumber, electrician, etc.) Those types of communications should be channeled through Facebook or Members Only Bulletin Board.
10. Do not include attachments. Your message will bounce back and not be delivered to the list if it contains an attachment.
11. Use caution when discussing products. Information posted on the list is available for all to see, and comments are subject to libel, slander, and antitrust laws.
12. All defamatory, abusive, profane, threatening, offensive or illegal materials are strictly prohibited. Do not post anything in a list message that you would not want the world to see or that you would not want anyone to know came from you.

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