

**193E—7.15(543B) Presenting purchase agreements.** All written offers to purchase received by a listing broker or listing agent are promptly presented to the seller for formal acceptance or rejection. The formal acceptance or rejection of the offer is promptly communicated to the prospective buyers. Unless there is written agreement between the seller and the listing broker directing otherwise, the listing broker is obligated to present back-up offers until the transaction has closed.

**7.15(1)** A customer's agent seeking compensation from the listing broker cannot prepare an offer to purchase on the property without first obtaining authorization and agreement from the listing broker.

**7.15(2)** A real estate licensee cannot induce another to seek to alter, modify, or change another licensee's fee or commission for real estate brokerage services without that licensee's prior written consent.

**7.15(3)** Immediately upon receiving an offer to purchase signed and dated by the buyer with consideration, if any, the listing agent provides a copy of the offer to purchase to the buyer as a receipt.

**7.15(4)** A customer's agent or representative cannot negotiate directly or indirectly with a seller or buyer, or landlord or tenant, if the agent knows, or acting in a reasonable manner should have known, that the seller or buyer, or landlord or tenant, has a written unexpired listing or brokerage agreement for services on an exclusive basis.

**7.15(5)** A listing agent cannot refuse to permit a customer's agent or representative to be present at any step in a real estate transaction including, but not limited to, viewing a property, seeking information about a property, or negotiating directly or indirectly with an agent about a property listed by such agent; and no agent refuses to show a property listed by that agent or otherwise deal with a represented customer who requests that the customer's agent or representative be present at any step in the real estate transaction, except as provided in this subrule.

*a.* The customer's agent or representative does not have the right to be present at any discussion of confidential matters or evaluation of the offer by the seller and the listing agent.

*b.* Unless the seller provides written instructions to the listing agent to exclude a customer's agent or representative from being present when the offer is presented, it is not unlawful for the customer's agent or representative to be present.

*c.* Compliance with this rule does not need or obligate a listing broker to share any commission or to otherwise compensate a customer's agent.

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