## Homebuying cheat sheet

## Do

- Work with professionals
   Your realtor and mortgage banker will guide you.
- Get pre-approved Show sellers you're a serious buyer.
- Stay in touch
  Quick responses keep your loan on track.
- Make timely payments Your credit score matters.
- Maintain stable income Lenders look for job stability.
- Keep financial records organized A clear paper trail is key.
- Ask questions
   Your mortgage banker is here to help.
- Start with Stockton Mortgage We'll guide you every step of the way.

## Don't

- House hunt without pre-qualification Know your budget first.
- Make big purchases
   Major expenses can impact approval.
- Pay home fees in cash
   A clear paper trail prevents delays.
- Change jobs
   Stability helps keep your loan on track.
- Open new credit lines New debt can affect your approval.
- Ignore lender requests Stay responsive to avoid delays.
- Make large cash deposits Lenders must verify all funds.
- Hide debts
   Transparency ensures a smoother process.

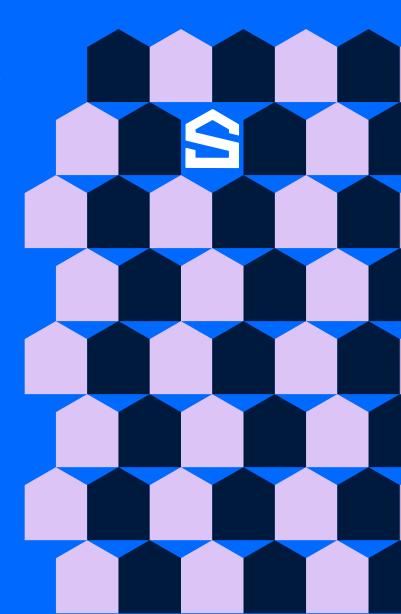


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