

New Property Type TIMESHARES

The new property type of “Timeshares” has been added to the MLS. These listings were formerly included in the Residential Property and have been moved to their own category. This should help eliminate confusion to the public while searching the MLS. The new listing input form for Timeshares has been added to the MLS, **Links & Documents**.

MLS Rules & Regs updates

The Board of Directors has approved two changes to the Rules and Regulations. The first addresses “mixed” text (the use of upper and lower case) in text entry fields (Section 4.8) and the second is in regard to new Secure Tokens (Section 12). The updated Rules & Regs can be found on the MLS (Links & Documents) or directly on the website.

Garage Spaces Now “Searchable”

The ability to search for a specific number of Garage Spaces is now available for Residential properties! The fields “Spaces 1”, “Spaces 2” and “Spaces 3 (+)” have been added to the Parking criteria and the separate Garage Spaces field has been eliminated. Use of the Additional Criteria page when searching allows one to search for a specific number of Garage Spaces. To view Garage Spaces in your one-line grid search results, add the Garage Spaces field (Go to Admin/One Line Grid Setup).

Email Etiquette and the CAN-SPAM act

The Brunswick Association of REALTORS® has been receiving calls from members who have been receiving e-mail advertisements from other members. The Association does NOT distribute the e-mail addresses of its members nor does it allow others to distribute e-mail addresses. Although this method of advertising may be effective, the **CAN-SPAM Act of 2003 needs to be noted. Please follow the link (<http://www.ftc.gov/bcp/online/pubs/buspubs/canspam.shtm>) for more information**). This federal law describes some very specific rules regarding e-mail, especially deceptive subject lines. In addition, an “opt out” method is provided. The Association staff has been included in some of these erroneous e-mails and has had the opportunity to review them. Many of them are in **direct violation of the CAN-SPAM act**. Please review the “act” carefully before you send out your next e-mail!

REMEMBER – PICK UP YOUR SECURE TOKEN BEFORE JULY 31!!