



CALIFORNIA CUSTOMARY PRACTICES GUIDE - POPULAR COUNTIES

COUNTY	ESCROW CHARGES / FEES	TITLE FEE (OWNER'S POLICY)	COUNTY TRANSFER TAX (TAX PER THOUSAND)	CITY TRANSFER TAX (TAX PER THOUSAND / % OF PURCHASE PRICE)
Alameda	Buyer Pays	Buyer Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Split - Buyer/Seller: Alameda \$12.00 Albany \$11.50 Berkeley ¹ \$15.00 for Purchase Price up to \$1.5 million, 2.5% over \$1.5 million Emeryville \$12.00 Hayward ² \$8.50 Oakland ² 1% of Purchase Price up to \$300,000, 1.5% for \$300,001 to \$2 million, 1.75% over \$2 million and up to \$5 million, 2.5% over \$5 million Piedmont \$13.00 San Leandro - \$6.00
Colusa	Split - Buyer / Seller	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Contra Costa	Buyer Pays	Buyer Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Split Buyer/Seller: Richmond ³ \$100 to \$999,999 = 0.7% of purchase price, \$1,000,000 to \$2,999,999 = 1.25% of purchase price, \$ 3,000,000 to \$9,999,999 = 2.5% of purchase price, \$10,000,000 and above = 3% of purchase price El Cerrito ⁴ \$12.00
El Dorado	Split - Buyer / Seller	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Fresno	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Glenn	Split - Buyer / Seller	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Kern	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Los Angeles	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Seller Pays: Culver City - \$4.50, Los Angeles - \$4.50, Pomona - \$2.20, Redondo Beach - \$2.20, Santa Monica - \$3.00
Marin	Buyer Pays	Buyer Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Seller Pays: San Rafael - \$2.00
Merced	Split - Buyer / Seller	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Monterey	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Napa	Buyer Pays	Buyer Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Orange	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Placer	Split - Buyer / Seller	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Riverside	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Seller Pays: Riverside - \$1.10
Sacramento	Seller Pays	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Split - Buyer/Seller: Sacramento - \$2.75
San Benito	Seller Pays	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
San Bernardino	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
San Diego	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
San Francisco	Buyer Pays	Buyer Pays	Included in the City Transfer Tax	Seller Pays: \$5.00 for less than \$250,000, \$6.80 from \$250,000-\$999,999, \$7.50 from \$1,000,000-\$4,999,999, \$22.50 from \$5,000,000-\$9,999,999, \$27.50 from \$10,000,000-\$24,999,999, \$30.00 for \$25 Million Plus
San Joaquin	Split - Buyer / Seller	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
San Mateo	Buyer Pays	Buyer Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Split - Buyer/Seller: Hillsborough \$0.30, San Mateo - \$5.00
Santa Clara	Seller Pays	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Split - Buyer/Seller: Palo Alto - \$3.30, San Jose - \$3.30, Mountain View - \$3.30
Santa Cruz	Split - Buyer / Seller	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Solano	Buyer Pays	Buyer Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Seller Pays: Vallejo - \$3.30
Sonoma	Buyer Pays	Buyer Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	Seller Pays: Santa Rosa - \$2.00, Petaluma - \$2.00
Stanislaus	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays Except Turlock (50/50)	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Sutter	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Ventura	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None
Yolo	Split - Buyer / Seller	Buyer - Davis Seller - All Other	Buyer - Davis Seller - All Other	Seller Pays: Woodland - \$1.10
Yuba	Split - Buyer / Seller	Seller Pays	Seller Pays - \$1.10	None

1. Berkeley - Effective 12/21/2018. 2. Hayward & Oakland - Effective 1/1/2019. 3. Richmond - Effective 12/28/2018 - However, the county recorder has advised they will not be ready to assist in the new tiered rates collection by the effective date. They will continue to collect the current city rate of \$7.00/\$1,000 until they complete the process for the implementation of the change. 4. El Cerrito - Effective 1/14/2019. All closing costs contained in this brochure reflect customary practices within the state of California but Chicago Title Company makes no express or implied warranty regarding the information presented and assumes no responsibility for errors or omissions. ©2019 Chicago Title Company. All Rights Reserved. Revised 1/2019.