

Relocation Readiness Checklist

Tick each box you can honestly check today. The more boxes, the more move-ready you are - and the clearer the few steps left before you buy. Want it scored automatically and emailed to you? Take the interactive version at beyond-seattle-guide.vercel.app/checklist.

Budget & Financing

- I know my target purchase price range
- I'm pre-approved for a mortgage (or buying cash)
- My down payment / funds are ready
- I know whether I need to sell my current home first
- I've factored in WA costs - no state income tax, but sales & property tax, ferry passes

Location & Lifestyle

- I've narrowed it to 1-3 target cities or areas
- I've tested my commute (or confirmed I work remotely)
- I know my school / district needs
- I know my must-haves (waterfront, acreage, walkable, etc.)
- I've made peace with the PNW winter - the 'big dark'

Timeline

- I have a target move date
- My lease end or current-home sale lines up with it
- I've accounted for school-year timing (if I have kids)

On the Ground

- I've visited Western Washington (or plan to before buying)
- I have a ferry / commute plan if I'll live west of Seattle
- I have a temporary-housing plan if I need one

Your Team

- I have a local agent who knows my target areas
 - I'm actively researching neighborhoods (videos, this guide)
 - I know my next step
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Ready to talk it through?

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