



Exterior Stories and # of Interior Levels Update

On September 14, 2011, ARMLS® made changes to the *General Property Description* group in **Residential** and **Residential Rental** property types in an attempt to better describe listed properties. The **# of Interior Levels** and **Exterior Stories** were added as required numeric fields and **Level** was removed.

of Interior Levels: A level is defined as a discrete horizontal plane of interior living space (excluding basements).

Exterior Stories: A story is defined as the number of discrete horizontal planes of exterior living space which start at ground (grade) and are incrementally numbered proceeding upward.

Attention... these changes directly affect your listings and Saved Searches and action has been taken on your behalf.

Listings have been updated for you as we have populated data in both new fields based on the entry that was previously selected in the **Level** field. Below is a summary of how listings were automatically updated.

Previous Selection in Level	New Entry in Exterior Stories	New Entry in # of Interior Levels
Single Level	1	1
Two Levels	2	2
3 or More	3	3

If the option *3 or More* was selected, we populated a 3 in the field. If your listing actually has more than 3 stories and/or levels, you will need to manually update *Exterior Stories* and *# of Interior Levels* with the correct number.

Saved Searches that previously utilized the **Level** field have also been updated for you by removing the old *Level* field and adding **Exterior Stories**. The new field added to your search was updated to correspond with your previous **Level** entry as follows.

Previous Selection in Level	New Entry in Exterior Stories	
	Min	Max
Single Level	1	1
Two Level	2	2
3 or More	3	empty
Single Level AND Two Levels	1	2
Two Levels AND 3 or More Levels	2	empty
Single Level AND 3 or More Levels	1	empty

If your search had an entry of *3 or More* selected, the new entry would be a 3 in the *Minimum* and nothing in the *Maximum*.

On an unrelated note, *Residential Rental* and *Seasonal Furnished Rental* have also gone through some changes. The **Pets** field was moved from the *Deposit Breakdown* group to *Rental Info: Pets* in the *Residential Rental* property type. In the *Seasonal Furnished Rental* property type, the *Pets* field was moved from the *Pets* group to *Rental Info: Pets*.

Residential Rental

Previous location	New location
<i>Deposit Breakdown: Pets</i>	<i>Rental Info: Pets</i>

Seasonal Furnished Rental

Previous location	New location
<i>Pets: Pets</i>	<i>Rental Info: Pets</i>

These changes will **not** affect listings and saved searches, so there is no required action on your part.