How RESO Certification can Help Technology Partners

RESO Certification The Real Estate Standards Organization's Certification Program is the real estate industry's seal of data excellence that ensures MLSs and Technology partners have correctly implemented RESO data standards. It is awarded to MLSs for RESO RETS Clients/Servers, RESO Web API and RESO Data Dictionary versions that conforms to current RESO Standards, as well as to Technology partners for RESO RETS Clients/Servers and RESO Web API. All Certifications are as included as a RESO member benefit.

Help for MLS Technology partners:

Certification is Now a Member Benefit:
Beginning in 2017, RESO Certification became a standard benefit for all RESO members, covered by the member's annual dues. This helped streamline the certification process for everyone as RESO previously billed separately for each Certification. Now all Certifications are included with RESO membership. If the MLS or MLS Technology partner is a RESO member, and most are, they are covered.

Quality Stamp of Approval – RESO Certification provides independent verification that a MLS system's functions match professional industry-wide standards. It may satisfy MLS contracts that require tools to comply the latest RESO RETS requirements.

Simplified Marketing – When an MLS says they are "RESO Certified," it says everything about their system's interoperability. This assures that their MLS software will work with all certified RESO RETS, RESO Web API and RESO Data Dictionary standards. When a technology partner is "RESO Certified," it says their client or server platforms can distribute and acquire MLS data in a RESO Compliant manner.

Know your Data – You can help your MLS clients gain confidence that information shared through certified RESO Data Dictionary platforms match industry accepted definitions and structures.

Expanded User Base for RESO RETS 1.72 or 1.8 Clients – Users will know that they can use your RESO RETS Client with any certified RESO RETS 1.72 or 1.8 server.

Freely test MLS products anytime – You can know where you and your MLS clients stand with RESO Certification BEFORE applying with freely available testing tools. Save development costs and application time when you know the results upfront.

Promote support for Standards – Once you are RESO Certificated, you can use the "RESO Certified" Logo publicly and internally, showcasing they've earned the real estate industry's seal of data excellence.

Benefits for Software Developers

Data Dictionary Simplifies Data Migration – Share Real Estate data with ease and confidence knowing industry standardized names and definitions are available.

Free (open source) Certification tools are available to help test RESO RETS Clients/Servers against the RETS 1.7.2 / 1.8 standards, as well as the new RESO Web API.

Download Anytime/Anywhere – These testing tools are publicly available for download and use by all Real Estate platform developers.

Free Regression Testing – RESO testing tools can be used for regression testing after platform upgrades by running the tests yourself.

Certification Report Card – Certification applicants receive a detailed report outlining areas passed and where changes need to be implemented to receive certification.

Make a Difference – Your suggestions to improve the RESO testing tool's open source repository are needed input and welcomed!

Have Questions?

Direct your questions about RESO Certification for RESO RETS, RESO Web API, or RESO Data Dictionary to certification@reso.org.