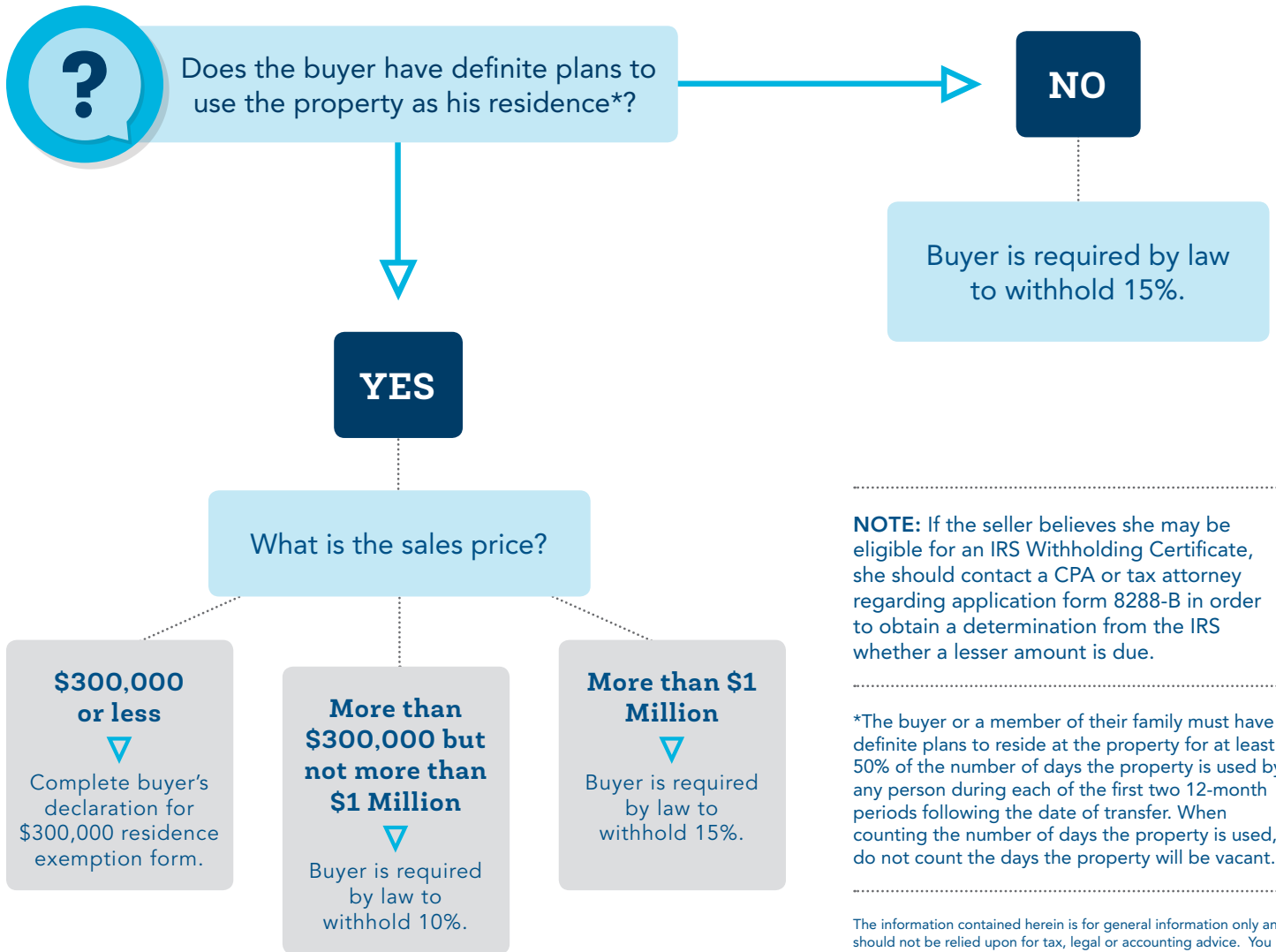


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What are the withholding requirements when a seller is not a U.S. Citizen or U.S. Resident?



NOTE: If the seller believes she may be eligible for an IRS Withholding Certificate, she should contact a CPA or tax attorney regarding application form 8288-B in order to obtain a determination from the IRS whether a lesser amount is due.

*The buyer or a member of their family must have definite plans to reside at the property for at least 50% of the number of days the property is used by any person during each of the first two 12-month periods following the date of transfer. When counting the number of days the property is used, do not count the days the property will be vacant.

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