

# FORM 6 RESIDENTIAL LEASE (STANDARD FORM OF LEASE)

(The Residential Tenancies Act, Acts of New Brunswick, 1975, c.R-10.2, s.9)

# **Important Notes**

Each landlord of residential premises must provide two (2) duplicate originals of this Standard Form of Lease for the **Landlord** and the **Tenant** to sign.

Any alteration of or deletion from this Standard Form of Lease is void other than

- an alteration made in accordance with Part 7 of Attachment A of this lease, or
- an addition agreed to by the **Landlord** and **Tenant** that does not alter any right or duty provided for under *The Residential Tenancies Act* or this lease.

Additions to this lease must appear on both duplicate originals of the lease. If there is not sufficient blank space provided in sections 2 and 4 of this lease, duplicate originals of a separate schedule setting out additions to the lease shall be attached. Each page of the duplicate originals of the attached schedule must be signed by the Landlord and Tenant to be valid.

For Information on the Office of the Rentalsman refer to Part 1 of Attachment A of this lease.

#### **SECTION 1 - PARTIES**

of this lease.

This lease is made in duplicate between:

A - The "Landlord"			
First Name or Business Name		Last Name	
Civic Address			
Civic Address			
Province Postal Code		E-mail Address	
Phone Number		Fax Number	
Instruction: Add information on additional landlords as	required.		
The <b>Landlord</b> employs an agent or representative	who may act on	the <b>Landlord</b> 's behalf. (Refe	er to section 7 of this lease.)
	— and	<u> </u>	
B - The "Tenant"			
1. First Name		Last Name	
Phone Number E	-mail Address		Fax Number
2. First Name		Last Name	
Phone Number	-mail Address		Fax Number
Instruction: Add information on additional tenants as re	equired.		
The <b>Tenant</b> wishes to provide emergency contact in	nformation. (Refe	er to section 7 of this lease.)	
Notes:  • For information on the obligations of the Landlord an	nd <b>Tenant</b> refer to	o Part 2 of Attachment A of t	his lease

• For information on the service of notices, processes or documents on a Landlord, Tenant or rentalsman refer to Part 3 of Attachment A

# **SECTION 2 - PREMISES** The Landlord agrees to lease to the Tenant and the Tenant agrees to lease from the Landlord the following residential premises: A - Address of Premises Street Number and Street Name Apt, Site or Room # N.B. Municipality (or other) Province Postal Code B - Type of premises. These residential premises are: (Select one (1) option only) A house or apartment A unit in a condominium property A room in a boarding house or lodging house A mobile home site Other (specify) C - Permitted use. The Landlord and the Tenant agree that the premises will be used only for residential purposes. D - Initial inspection and repairs An inspection of the premises has been completed by both the **Tenant** and **Landlord** on Month Year Repairs to be completed prior to the beginning of the tenancy or during the term of the tenancy (*specify*) For emergency repairs contact: The **Landlord** (Refer to paragraph 1A of this lease), and/or The **Landlord**'s agent or representative (Refer to section 7 of this lease.) **E** - Additions The premises or a portion of the premises are smoke-free (specify) Restrictions or prohibitions apply in relation to pets (*specify*) The Landlord or the Landlord's agent or representative may enter to show the premises to prospective tenants during the last rental period of the tenancy agreement without any notice requirement. The premises are a unit in a condominium property. The **Tenant** agrees to comply with the by-laws and rules of the corporation created in relation to the condominium property. The by-laws and rules of the corporation are attached. Other additions, including by-laws or rules (specify)\_ Note: For information on permitted entry by the Landlord or an agent or representative of the Landlord onto the premises refer to Part 4 of Attachment A of this lease. **SECTION 3 - LENGTH OF TENANCY** A - This tenancy is to begin on Month Year Day B - This tenancy is either: (Select 1) or 2); except in the case a tenancy of a mobile home site, for which the only valid option is 2).) 1) – A fixed term tenancy ending on Day Month Year 2) - A periodic tenancy. The tenancy is to run (Select one (1) option only) a) from week to week b) from month to month (only valid option for tenancy of mobile home site) c) from year to year Note: For information on the minimum required notice of termination for each type of tenancy refer to Part 5 of Attachment A of this lease.

SECTION 4 - RENT
Subject to any law of the Province, the Tenant agrees to pay the Landlord on the following terms:
A - Amount and timing of payment
1) The amount of rent payable is: \$ per  Week  Month (only valid option for tenancy of mobile home site)
2) The first payment is due on Day Month Year
3) And thereafter payments are to be made on the day of each Week Month (only valid option for tenancy of mobile home site)
4) Payment is to be made: To the <b>Landlord</b> (Refer to paragraph 1A of this lease) To the <b>Landlord</b> 's agent or representative (Refer to section 7 of this lease)
5) The Landlord (for a fixed term tenancy, select a) or b)) a) may increase the rent. b) may not increase the rent.
<b>Note:</b> In the case of a fixed term tenancy, the <b>Landlord</b> may increase the rent only if the <b>Landlord</b> selects the box beside clause 5)a) above and gives the <b>Tenant,</b> in accordance with <i>The Residential Tenancies Act</i> , at least three (3) months' written notice of the increase, or the amount and time of the increase are set out below.
6) Particulars of any rent increase:
Note: For further information on rent, increases in rent and non-payment of rent refer to Part 6 of Attachment A of this lease.
B - Late payment fees
If the <b>Tenant</b> fails to pay the rent when due and the rent was given in the form of a cheque or other negotiable instrument that was subsequently dishonoured, the <b>Landlord</b> ( <b>Select one</b> (1) option only)
1) is not entitled to charge a late payment fee, or 2) may charge a late payment fee. (The amount of the fee is the amount of NSF (not sufficient funds) charges that have been paid by the <b>Landlord</b> .)
Note: For information on late payment fees refer to "Late payment fees" under Part 6 of Attachment A of this lease.
C - Services and furnishings
The rent includes provision and payment for:
No services, or The following services:
Water Propane Snow removal Room cleaning  Heat Electricity Cable and/or internet hook-up Parking forvehicle(s)  Other (specify)
No furnishings, or The following furnishings:
Refrigerator  Bed(s)  Table  Stove  Dishwasher  Night table  Couch  Washer and dryer  Lamp(s)  Other (specify)

SECTION 5 - SECURITY DEPOSIT (Select A or B)	
A – A security deposit is not required, or B – A security deposit is required in the amount of \$	
Note: For information on security deposits refer to Part 8 of Attachme	ent A of this lease.
SECTION 6 - ASSIGNMENT	
Except for a tenancy of a mobile home site, select A A or B.	B or C. For a tenancy of a mobile home site, select
A - The Tenant may assign all of the Tenant's rights under this I remaining term of the lease.  B - The Tenant may only assign all of the Tenant's rights under a portion of the remaining term of the lease with the consent	this lease for the remaining term of the lease or for of the Landlord.
<ul> <li>Notes:</li> <li>If no selection is made, the Tenant may, subject to section 13 and her rights under the lease.</li> <li>For information on assignment refer to Part 9 of Attachment A of the</li> </ul>	subsection 25.41(1) of <i>The Residential Tenancies Act</i> , assign all his or is lease.
SECTION 7 - SIGNATURES	
The <b>Landlord</b> and <b>Tenant</b> have read this lease including Attachment	A.
This lease is binding on and is for the benefit of the heirs, executors a <b>Tenant</b> .	and administrators, successors and assigns of the <b>Landlord</b> and the
Signature of <b>Landlord</b> Date	
Signature of <b>Tenant # 1</b> Date Signature	re of <b>Tenant # 2</b> Date
Instructions: Add signature and date lines as required. Sign both co	opies of the lease separately.
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THE LANDLORD'S AGENT OR REPRESENTATIVE (If	applicable)
First Name	Last Name
Civic Address	
Civic Address	
Province Postal Code	E-mail address
Phone Number	Fax Number
THE TENANT'S EMERGENCY CONTACTS (If applica	ble)
Name(s)	Phone Number
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Name(s)	Phone Number

# Attachment A ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

# Part 1 - The Office of the Rentalsman

The Office of the Rentalsman is a provincial government office. Landlords and tenants may consult with a rentalsman on questions concerning this Standard Form of Lease and their rights and obligations. A rentalsman may

- advise landlords and tenants in tenancy matters,
- receive complaints and mediate disputes between landlords and tenants.
- · disseminate information to educate and advise landlords and tenants on rental practices, rights and remedies,
- · receive and investigate complaints of conduct in alleged contravention of the law of landlord and tenant, and
- · conduct investigations and inspections of premises.
- A rentalsman shall carry out his or her powers or duties under The Residential Tenancies Act.

#### Solving a Tenancy Dispute The most efficient tenancy dispute resolution method consists of the following steps:

- Step 1 Dialogue between the Landlord and Tenant;
- Step 2 Landlord's or Tenant's written complaint to the other party to the tenancy agreement;
- Step 3 Landlord's or Tenant's application for assistance from the Office of the Rentalsman;
- Step 4 Rentalsman's investigation; and
- Step 5 Rentalsman's decision.

For more information, please call 1-888-762-8600 (toll free) or visit the Office of the Rentalsman's website: www.snb.ca/irent.

# Part 2 - Obligations of Landlords and Tenants

# **Obligations of Landlords**

### The **Landlord** shall

- deliver the premises to the **Tenant** in a good state of cleanliness and repair and fit for habitation,
- maintain the premises in a good state of repair and fit for habitation,
- · deliver to the Tenant and maintain in a good state of repair any chattels provided in the premises by the Landlord,
- comply with all health, safety, housing and building standards and any other legal requirement respecting the premises, and
- keep all common areas in a clean and safe condition.

#### In addition,

- a Landlord of a room in a boarding house or lodging house shall ensure that sufficient doors, locks and other devices to make the room reasonably secure are installed and maintained; and
- a Landlord of a mobile home site shall repair any damage caused by the Landlord or an agent or representative of the Landlord to
  a Tenant's mobile home on the mobile home site, to the skirting of the mobile home or to any structure placed by the Tenant on the
  mobile home site.

#### Notes:

- Failure of the **Landlord** to comply with the **Landlord**'s obligations may entitle the **Tenant** to have the obligations performed by a rentalsman at the **Landlord**'s expense or may result in the tenancy being terminated by a rentalsman. If a rentalsman terminates the tenancy, he or she may order the **Landlord** to compensate the **Tenant**.
- It is an offence for a Landlord or his or her agent or representative to
  - deliberately interfere with the supply of heat, water or electric power services to the premises except in an emergency or where it is necessary to enable maintenance or repairs to be carried out, or
  - deliberately do anything that would render the premises unfit for habitation.

# **Obligations of Tenants**

#### The **Tenant** shall

- be responsible for ordinary cleanliness of the premises and any chattels provided in the premises by the Landlord,
- repair within a reasonable time after its occurrence any damage to the premises or to any chattels provided in the premises by the
   Landlord caused by the willful or negligent conduct of the Tenant or by such conduct of persons who are permitted on the premises
   by the Tenant, and
- conduct himself or herself and require other persons on the premises with his or her consent to conduct themselves in a manner that will not cause a disturbance or nuisance.

#### In addition, a **Tenant** of a **mobile home site** shall

- maintain in a good state of neatness, cleanliness and repair the exterior of the mobile home placed on the mobile home site, the
  skirting of the mobile home, and any structure placed by the **Tenant** on the mobile home site,
- not exercise or carry on, or permit to be exercised or carried on, on the mobile home site or in the mobile home park any illegal act, trade, business, occupation or calling,

- not, by act or omission, impair, risk or interfere with the safety or any lawful right, privilege or interest of the **Landlord** or of any tenant of a mobile home site in the mobile home park, and
- not violate any health, safety, housing, or building standard respecting the number of persons occupying a mobile home.

**Note:** Failure of the **Tenant** to comply with the **Tenant**'s obligations under *The Residential Tenancies Act*, or the terms of this lease, may render the **Tenant** liable to compensate the **Landlord** and may result in the tenancy being terminated by a rentalsman.

# Part 3 – Service

Notices, processes and documents are to be served, in writing, in accordance with section 25 of the Residential Tenancies Act.

Method	Service on Landlord	Service on Tenant	Service on	Service on
of Service			Rentalsman	Assignor
Personal Delivery	<ul> <li>Any notice, process or document is sufficiently served on a Landlord if delivered personally to the Landlord.</li> <li>Any notice, process or document to be served by a Tenant on a Landlord is sufficiently served</li> <li>by delivering it personally to an agent of the Landlord, if the Landlord has posted or filed with the rentalsman under subsection 25(4) of The Residential Tenancies Act the legal name of the agent of the Landlord;</li> <li>by delivering it personally to any adult person who apparently resides with the Landlord or to any person at the Landlord's place of business who appears to be in control of or to be managing the place of business.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Any notice, process or document is sufficiently served on a Tenant if delivered personally to the Tenant.</li> <li>If a notice cannot be delivered personally to a Tenant by reason of his or her absence from the premises or by reason of his or her evading service, the notice may be served on the Tenant by delivering it personally to any adult person who apparently resides with the Tenant.</li> </ul>	Any notice, process or document is sufficiently served on a rentalsman if delivered personally to the rentalsman at his or her office.	
Mail	<ul> <li>Any notice, process or document is sufficiently served on a Landlord if sent by ordinary mail to the Landlord at the address given in the lease or to the address posted under the provisions of subsection 25(4) of The Residential Tenancies Act.</li> <li>Any notice, process or document to be served by a Tenant on a Landlord is sufficiently served</li> <li>by sending it by ordinary mail to the Landlord at the address where the Landlord resides;</li> <li>if demised premises are located in a building containing multiple premises, by placing the notice, process or document in a mailbox that has been placed in a conspicuous place in the building by the Landlord for the purposes of allowing tenants to deposit any notice, process or document to be served on the Landlord.</li> <li>If demised premises are located in a building containing more than two (2) premises and the Landlord does not reside in the building, any notice is sufficiently served if mailed to the address posted or filed under subsection 25(4) of The Residential Tenancies Act.</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Any notice, process or document is sufficiently served on a Tenant if sent by ordinary mail to the Tenant to the address of the premises.</li> <li>If a notice cannot be delivered personally to a Tenant by reason of his or her absence from the premises or by reason of his or her evading service, the notice may be served on the Tenant</li> <li>by sending it by ordinary mail to the Tenant at the address where he or she resides;</li> <li>by placing the notice in the mailbox for the premises.</li> </ul>	Any notice, process or document is sufficiently served on a rentalsman if sent by ordinary mail to the rentalsman to the address of his or her office.	If there is an assignment by a Tenant of a portion of the remaining term of the lease, for the purposes of subsection 13(2.2) of The Residential Tenancies Act, any notice shall be sufficiently served to the assignor during the period of assignment if sent by ordinary mail to the address provided by the assignor to the Landlord for the period of the assignment; the address of the premises if the assignor has not provided the Landlord with an address for the period of the assignment.

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Method	Service on Landlord	Service on Tenant	Service on	Service on
of Service			Rentalsman	Assignor
Fax	Any notice, process or document shall be sufficiently served on a Landlord who has given a fax number in the lease or has posted or filed a fax number as part of an address for service for the purposes of subsection 25(4) of The Residential Tenancies Act if a facsimile of the notice, process or document is transmitted to the Landlord at that fax number.		Any notice, process or document shall be sufficiently served on a rentalsman if a facsimile of the notice, process or document is transmitted to the rentalsman at the fax number at his or her office.	
Posting		• If a notice cannot be delivered personally to a <b>Tenant</b> by reason of his or her absence from the premises or by reason of his or her evading service, the notice may be served on the <b>Tenant</b> by posting it in a conspicuous place on some part of the premises or a door leading to the premises.		
Other	If demised premises are located in a building containing more than two (2) premises and the <b>Landlord</b> does not reside in the building, any notice is sufficiently served if delivered to the address posted or filed under subsection 25(4) of <i>The Residential Tenancies Act</i> .	If a notice cannot be delivered personally to a <b>Tenant</b> by reason of his or her absence from the premises or by reason of his or her evading service, the notice may be served on the <b>Tenant</b> by placing the notice under the door of the premises.		

#### Notes:

- If any notice, process or document is sent by mail, it is deemed to have been served on the third day after the date of mailing.
- If demised premises are located in a building containing more than two (2) premises and the **Landlord** does not reside in the building, the **Landlord** is required under subsection 25(4) of *The Residential Tenancies Act* to post conspicuously and maintain so posted within the building or to file with a rentalsman the legal name of the **Landlord** or his or her agent and an address for service. A **Landlord** may post or file a fax number as part of the address for service.

# Part 4 - Permitted Entry

The Residential Tenancies Act sets out minimum notice periods for entry by a **Landlord** or an agent or representative of the **Landlord** onto the demised premises in particular circumstances. Notice must be given in writing and comply with *The Residential Tenancies Act*.

Except where the **Tenant** has abandoned the demised premises or where an emergency is present, an entry by a **Landlord** or an agent or representative of the **Landlord** is to be made on a day other than a Sunday or other holiday and between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m.

Minimum Notice Period For Entry	Permitted Entry (in any of the following circumstances)
(written notice required)	· · ·
No notice required	<ul> <li>the Tenant has abandoned the premises</li> <li>an emergency is present</li> <li>the Tenant consents at the time of entry</li> <li>within two (2) working days after receipt of the Tenant's request in writing to carry out repairs to the premises, the Landlord or an agent or representative of the Landlord is entering the premises to carry out the requested repairs (a working day is any day except a Sunday or other holiday)</li> <li>the entry is made by the Landlord or an agent or representative of the Landlord during the last rental period of the tenancy agreement to show the premises to prospective tenants and the lease provides that the Landlord or agent or representative may enter without any notice requirement in that circumstance</li> <li>the tenancy agreement for a tenancy of a room in a boarding house or lodging house provides that housekeeping services will be provided by the Landlord and the Landlord or an agent or representative of the Landlord is entering the premises to provide the housekeeping services</li> </ul>
At least twenty-four (24) hours notice required	<ul> <li>the Landlord or an agent or representative of the Landlord is entering the premises to carry out repairs that the Tenant in writing requested the Landlord or the agent or representative to carry out to the premises, but that were not carried out by the Landlord or an agent or representative within two (2) working days after the request (a working day is any day except a Sunday or other holiday)</li> <li>a person or authority having jurisdiction to do so has required, by order or otherwise, a Landlord or an agent or representative of the Landlord to carry out repairs or cause repairs to be carried out to the premises and the Landlord or agent or representative is entering the premises to carry out the repairs</li> <li>the Landlord or an agent or representative of the Landlord desires to enter to show the premises to prospective purchasers or mortgagees or to carry out an inspection of the premises</li> </ul>
At least seven (7) days notice required	the <b>Landlord</b> or an agent or representative of the <b>Landlord</b> wishes to enter to carry out normal repairs or redecoration on the premises

#### Notes:

- Except as provided in sections 16 and 25.03 of *The Residential Tenancies Act*, it is an offence for a **Landlord** or agent or representative of the **Landlord** to enter the demised premises during the term of the tenancy.
- It is an offence for a **Landlord** or **Tenant**, except by mutual consent or on the written authorization of a rentalsman, to alter or cause to be altered, during occupancy under the tenancy agreement, the lock or the locking system on any door that gives entry to the demised premises.

# Part 5 - Notice of Termination

# **Protection under the Act**

If a **Tenant** makes a complaint against a **Landlord**, a notice of termination of the tenancy served by the **Landlord** within the period beginning the day on which the complaint was made and ending one (1) year after that day is not valid if

- the **Tenant** advises a rentalsman in writing within fifteen (15) days after the receipt of the notice that he or she intends to contest the notice, and
- the **Landlord** does not satisfy the rentalsman that he or she did not serve the notice of termination because the **Tenant** made the complaint.

# **Notice of Termination**

- In the case of a **fixed term tenancy**, no notice of termination by the **Landlord** or **Tenant** is necessary because the date of termination is fixed in the lease.
- A notice of termination of a **periodic tenancy** to be served by a **Landlord** or **Tenant** is to be served in writing and must comply with the *Residential Tenancies Act*.

Type of Periodic Tenancy	When Minimum Notice of Termination required to be served (written notice required)
Week to week tenancy	By the <b>Landlord</b> or the <b>Tenant</b> , at least one (1) week before the expiration of any week to be effective on the last day of that week.
	Notice shall be sufficiently given or served if given or served on or before the first day of that week.
Month to month tenancy	By the <b>Landlord</b> or the <b>Tenant</b> , at least one (1) month before the expiration of any month to be
(other than long term tenancy or tenancy of a	effective on the last day of that month.
mobile home site)	Notice shall be sufficiently given or served if given or served on or before the first day of that month.
Year to year tenancy	By the <b>Landlord</b> or the <b>Tenant</b> , at least three (3) months before the expiration of any year to be effective on the last day of that year.
	Notice shall be sufficiently given or served if given or served on or before the first day of the first month in the three (3) month notice period.
Long term tenancy (The same tenant has occupied premises, other	By the <b>Tenant</b> , at least one (1) month before the expiration of any month to be effective on the last day of that month.
than a mobile home site, for five (5) consecutive years or	Notice shall be sufficiently given or served if given or served on or before the first day of that month.
more)	By the <b>Landlord</b> , at least three (3) months before the expiration of any month to be effective on the last day of that month.
	Notice shall be sufficiently given or served if given or served on or before the first day of the first month in the three (3) month notice period.
	<ul> <li>Limitations. A Landlord shall not serve a notice of termination of the tenancy unless</li> <li>the Landlord intends in good faith that the premises will be occupied by the Landlord, the Landlord's spouse, a child of the Landlord, a parent of the Landlord or a parent of the Landlord's spouse,</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the premises occupied by the <b>Tenant</b> will be used other than as residential premises,</li> <li>the premises will be renovated to such an extent that vacant possession is necessary to perform the renovation, or</li> </ul>
	the tenancy arises out of an employment relationship between the <b>Tenant</b> and the <b>Landlord</b> in which the employment relates to the maintenance or management of the premises, or both, and the employment relationship is terminated.
	<b>Review</b> . A <b>Tenant</b> who is served notice of termination of the tenancy may apply in writing to a rentalsman within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the notice to have the notice reviewed by the rentalsman.
Tenancy of mobile home site	By the <b>Tenant,</b> at least two (2) months before the expiration of any month to be effective on the last day of that month.
	Notice shall be sufficiently given or served if given or served on or before the first day of the first month in the two (2) month notice period.
	By the <b>Landlord</b> , at least six (6) months before the expiration of any month to be effective on the last day of that month.
	Notice shall be sufficiently given or served if given or served on or before the first day of the first month in the six (6) month notice period.
	• A <b>Tenant</b> who is served with a notice of termination of a tenancy may terminate the tenancy during the six (6) month notice period by serving a notice of termination on the <b>Landlord</b> at least one (1) month before the expiration of any month within the six (6) month period to be effective on the last day of that month.
	<ul> <li>Limitations. A Landlord shall not serve a notice of termination of the tenancy unless</li> <li>the Landlord intends in good faith that the mobile home site will be occupied by the Landlord, the Landlord's spouse, a child of the Landlord, a parent of the Landlord or a parent of the Landlord's spouse,</li> <li>the mobile home site will be used other than as a mobile home site, or</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>the mobile home site will be renovated to such an extent that vacant possession is necessary to perform the renovation.</li> </ul>

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# Part 6 - Rent

If a **Tenant** has not been given a duplicate original of this lease, the **Tenant** may pay any rent owing to a rentalsman rather than to the **Landlord**.

Under subsection 6(5) of *The Residential Tenancies Act*, a rentalsman may require the **Tenant** to pay the rent to the rentalsman rather than to the **Landlord**.

#### **Rent Increase**

- Subject to any law of the Province, if a tenancy is a **fixed term tenancy** and the **Landlord** has the right to increase the rent during the term of the tenancy but the amount and time of the increase are not specified in the lease, the **Landlord** shall not increase the rent unless he or she gives the **Tenant** at least three (3) months' notice of the increase. Notice must be given in writing and comply with *The Residential Tenancies Act*.
- Subject to any law of the Province, if a tenancy is a **periodic tenancy**, the **Landlord** shall not increase the rent unless the **Landlord** gives the required period of notice to the **Tenant**. Notice must be given in writing and comply with *The Residential Tenancies Act*.

Type of Periodic Tenancy	Minimum Notice Period for Rent Increase (written notice required)
Week to week tenancy	At least two (2) months' notice
Month to month tenancy	At least two (2) months' notice
Year to year and long term tenancy (in the case of long term tenancy the same tenant has occupied premises, other than a mobile home site, for five (5) consecutive years or more)	Limitations. In addition to giving the required period of notice, a Landlord of premises subject to a long term tenancy may only increase the rent if  the notice of the increase is a document separate from any other notice or receipt given to or served on the Tenant by the Landlord, and  the Landlord is increasing the rent for each comparable unit in the same building by the same percentage or the increased rent is reasonable in relation to that charged for comparable units in the same geographical area.
	<b>Review.</b> A <b>Tenant</b> who is served notice of a rent increase may apply in writing to a rentalsman within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the notice to have the notice reviewed by the rentalsman.
Tenancy of mobile home site	At least six (6) months' notice  Limitations. In addition to giving the required period of notice, the Landlord
	<ul> <li>may only increase the rent if</li> <li>the notice of the increase is a document separate from any other notice or receipt given to or served on the <b>Tenant</b> by the <b>Landlord</b>, and</li> <li>the <b>Landlord</b> is increasing the rent for each mobile home site in the mobile home park or in the same distinct area of the mobile home park by the same percentage.</li> </ul>
	<b>Review.</b> A <b>Tenant</b> who is served with notice of a rent increase may apply in writing to a rentalsman within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the notice to have the notice reviewed by the rentalsman.

#### **Election to Terminate Tenancy**

- If a **Tenant** receives a notice of rent increase for a fixed term tenancy (the amount and timing of the increase not having been set out in the lease) or for a periodic tenancy, he or she may elect to treat the notice as a notice of termination of the tenancy.
- If the **Tenant** elects to treat the notice as a notice of termination, the **Tenant** shall give the **Landlord** notice in writing that complies with *The Residential Tenancies Act*.
  - in the case of a fixed term tenancy, of a year to year or of month to month tenancy (other than a tenancy of a mobile home site), at least
    - one (1) month before the day immediately preceding the day on which the increase in rent is to take effect;
  - in the case of a week to week tenancy, at least one (1) week before the day immediately preceding the day on which the increase in rent is to take effect;
  - in the case of a tenancy of a mobile home site, at least one (1) month before the expiration of any month within the six (6) month notice period to be effective on the last day of that month.

#### Non-payment of Rent and Notice to Vacate

- If a **Tenant** fails to pay the rent due, the **Landlord** may serve on the **Tenant** a Notice to Vacate terminating the tenancy on the day specified in the notice and requiring the **Tenant** to vacate the premises on or before the day specified in the notice. The day specified in the notice must be at least fifteen (15) days after the day on which the notice is served on the **Tenant**. (The Notice to Vacate form is available at the Office of the Rentalsman.)
- Within seven (7) days after the Notice to Vacate is served on the **Tenant**, the **Landlord** shall serve on a rentalsman a copy of the notice.
- Subject to subsection 19(6) and section 25.5 of *The Residential Tenancies Act*, the payment of all of the rent due by the **Tenant** within seven (7) days after the **Tenant** is served with the Notice to Vacate shall have the effect of cancelling the notice and continuing the tenancy.

Note: It is not permissible for a Landlord to seize a Tenant's personal belongings for default in payment of rent.

#### Late payment fees

If the Tenant fails to pay the rent when due, the rent was given in the form of a cheque or other negotiable instrument that was subsequently dishonoured and the **Landlord** may charge a late payment fee, as provided for under paragraph clause 4(B)(2) of the lease, the amount of the late payment fee is the amount of the NSF (not sufficient funds) charges that were charged by a financial institution to the **Landlord** as a result of the dishonouring of the instrument and that are proved by the **Landlord** by a receipt or statement from the financial institution.

### Part 7 – Alteration of Tenancy Agreement

In the case of a long term tenancy (tenancy of premises, other than a mobile home site, that have been occupied by the same tenant for five (5) consecutive years or more) or a tenancy of a mobile home site, the **Landlord** may alter any provision of the lease or any other tenancy agreement, except the one providing for the amount of rent, if

- the Landlord serves on the Tenant at least three (3) months' written notice of the alteration,
- the alteration does not conflict with a provision, right or duty in The Residential Tenancies Act, and
- the alteration is reasonable and fair.

**Note:** Notice of an alteration must comply with *The Residential Tenancies Act*. A **Tenant** who is served with notice of an alteration may apply in writing to a rentalsman within fifteen (15) days after receipt of the notice to have the notice reviewed by the rentalsman.

### Part 8 - Security Deposits

A security deposit is to provide security against

- the **Tenant**'s failure to pay rent,
- the **Tenant**'s failure to reimburse the **Landlord** for expenses incurred by the **Landlord** for the supply of heat, water, electric power or natural gas services to the premises if
  - the lease provides that the **Tenant** will pay the expenses incurred by the **Landlord** for the supply of the services, and
  - the rent does not include the payment by the **Tenant** for the provision of the services,
- the **Tenant**'s failure to pay a late payment fee required by the **Landlord** under section 19.1 of *The Residential Tenancies Act* where the **Tenant** failed to pay the late payment fee after receiving a request in writing, dated and signed by the **Landlord** or an agent or representative of the **Landlord**, to do so, or
- the **Tenant**'s failure to comply with the **Tenant**'s obligation under paragraph 4(1)(a) or (b) of *The Residential Tenancies Act* respecting cleanliness or repair of the premises or any chattels provided in the premises by the **Landlord**.

Type of Tenancy	Maximum Amount of Security Deposit
Week to week tenancy	Not more than one (1) week's rent
Tenancy of a mobile home site	Not more than three (3) months' rent
All other tenancies	Not more than one (1) month's rent

A security deposit is to be delivered to a rentalsman by the **Landlord** or **Tenant**.

At the expiration or termination of a tenancy, there are several possible options in regards to the security deposit, including the following:

- Option 1 Security deposit transfer. A Tenant who has already paid a security deposit to a rentalsman in respect of other premises may apply to a rentalsman, in accordance with *The Residential Tenancies Act*, to have the amount on deposit applied in respect of a security deposit required under a new lease.
- Option 2 Security deposit of overholding tenant kept in fund. If a tenancy has expired or terminated and a new tenancy agreement is created between an overholding Tenant and a Landlord, the amount on deposit in the security deposit fund in respect of the expired or terminated tenancy shall remain in the security deposit fund to be used or returned on the expiry or termination of the new tenancy agreement.
- Option 3 Claim against a security deposit. A claim against a security deposit for the Tenant's failure to comply with an obligation of the Tenant in respect of which the security deposit was made may be made by a Landlord within seven (7) days after the termination of the tenancy or within the period set out in subsection 8(12.02) or (12.021) of The Residential Tenancies Act, if applicable. After a proper investigation has been conducted the rentalsman may use all or a portion of the amount on deposit with the rentalsman toward the discharge of the obligation.
- Option 4 Security deposit used to satisfy settlement, judgment, decision or order. If a claim referred to in subsection 8(12.1) of The Residential Tenancies Act is settled, in whole or in part, in favour of the Landlord before a proceeding commenced in respect of the claim has concluded, or if the proceeding, including all appeals from the proceeding, has concluded and relief is granted to the Landlord as a result of the proceeding, the rentalsman shall, on being served with a copy of the settlement or with a copy of the judgment, decision or order in respect of the proceeding, use all or a portion of the amount on deposit with the rentalsman toward the satisfaction of the settlement, judgment, decision or order.
- Option 5 Security deposit return. If a tenancy has terminated and no application referred to under Option 1 has been made by the Tenant and Option 2 does not apply, the amount on deposit with the rentalsman, after the application of subsections 8(12) and (12.1) to (12.8) of The Residential Tenancies Act, is to be returned to the Tenant within seven (7) days of a request in writing by the Tenant.

# Part 9 - Assignment

#### Assignment of all of Tenant's rights under the lease

If a **Tenant** assigns all of the **Tenant**'s rights under this lease as provided for under paragraph 6A of the lease, the **Tenant** is no longer liable for the obligations or entitled to the benefits of the lease, and in such a case the new **Tenant** assumes all of the obligations and is entitled to the benefits under the lease as if a party to the lease.

If a **Tenant** assigns a portion of the remaining term of the lease as provided for under paragraph 6A of the lease, the **Landlord** must serve any notice regarding the new **Tenant**'s breach of obligations on the new **Tenant** and send a copy to the original **Tenant** in accordance with subsection 13(2.1) of *The Residential Tenancies Act*.

If the **Tenant** assigns a portion of the remaining term of the lease as provided for under paragraph 6A of the lease, the **Landlord** must serve notice of any increase in rent on the original **Tenant** and send a copy to the new **Tenant**. The original **Tenant** retains the right to elect to terminate the tenancy under section 11.1 or 25.4 of *The Residential Tenancies Act*.

#### Consent of Landlord required for assignment

A **Tenant** shall request consent to assign by giving a Request For Consent To Assign to the **Landlord** and a **Landlord** who does not reply in accordance with *The Residential Tenancies Act* within seven (7) days after service of the request is deemed to have given consent. (The request form is available at the Office of the Rentalsman).

If the **Tenant** seeks to assign the **Tenant**'s rights under the lease and the consent of the **Landlord** is required as provided for under paragraph 6B of the lease, the **Landlord** may

- consent and charge the Tenant a maximum of \$20,
- withhold consent, so long as consent is not withheld arbitrarily or unreasonably, or

• unless the <b>Tena</b> nt is a tenant of a mobile home site or the assignment is for mortgage purposes or for a portion only of the remaining term of the lease, serve on the <b>Tenant</b> within seven (7) days of service of the <b>Tenant</b> 's Request for Consent to Assign, a Notice to Quit, in writing, terminating the lease effective on the same day on which the requested assignment was to be effective. The Notice to Quit must comply with <i>The Residential Tenancies Act</i> .
If a <b>Landlord</b> of a mobile home site has refused to give consent to the assignment of the <b>Tenant</b> 's rights, the <b>Tenant</b> may apply in writing to a rentalsman to have the matter reviewed by the rentalsman.