

Tenant Application to Rent Residential Premises

The Residential Tenancies Act:

- does not prescribe such a form, nor does the department produce one;
- also states that no application fee is to be charged to the prospective tenant.

Reference:

Residential Tenancies Act not applicable.

Details:

- Landlords are encouraged to obtain all possible information from a tenant prior to entering into a landlord/tenant relationship.
- Landlords may develop an application process based on their needs and expectations, remembering that questions cannot violate the *Human Rights Act*.
- A tenant may give a landlord permission to obtain a credit report. *The Consumer Reporting Act* (Section 11, subsections (1) and (2)), requires this permission to be in writing and may be included in an application for tenancy;
- An application for tenancy does not automatically initiate a landlord/tenant relationship.

Procedure:

Not applicable; refer to *Human Rights Commission*.