

# Accommodation Checklist

Inspect the premises thoroughly before paying a deposit or signing a tenancy agreement. Use this checklist when you view accommodations, it can help you define your expectations and help you become better acquainted with minimum standards.

Exterior - Take a comprehensive survey of the perimeter of the building	
Steps, walkways, driveways and parking spaces have a hard, safe surface	<input type="checkbox"/>
Roof, foundation, walls, windows and doors are weatherproof	<input type="checkbox"/>
There is a place to dispose garbage	<input type="checkbox"/>
Street and sidewalk are well-lit; you feel safe being in the area and in the building	<input type="checkbox"/>
Laundry room is clean and laundry machines are operational	<input type="checkbox"/>
No signs of mouse/insect infestation	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire extinguishers are available and in visible places	<input type="checkbox"/>

Interior - Consider the following when viewing an apartment or suite:	
Front door has an operational lock, chain lock and/or deadbolt, as well as a peephole	<input type="checkbox"/>
All windows and doors (including balcony) properly close and have locks	<input type="checkbox"/>
Interior floor is clean, sanitary and reasonably smooth and level	<input type="checkbox"/>
Walls are clean and/or freshly painted	<input type="checkbox"/>
Carpet is not stained or worn out	<input type="checkbox"/>
There is a kitchen sink and the stove (electric or gas) and refrigerator are operational	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cold and hot water taps work	<input type="checkbox"/>
Heating system functions and is sufficient for winter months	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bathroom is well ventilated with a flushing toilet	<input type="checkbox"/>
Bathroom floors are waterproof	<input type="checkbox"/>
Electrical, ventilations, air-conditioning and plumbing systems are operational	<input type="checkbox"/>
Windows are weatherproof, properly sealed and/or double paned with screens	<input type="checkbox"/>
Fire alarms are operational and there are at least two emergency exits (includes front door	<input type="checkbox"/>
Cable and telephone (landline) are available	<input type="checkbox"/>
Noise levels: Consider street noise, proximity to restaurants/bars, and check if the walls are "thin and noise from adjacent apartments may disturb you	<input type="checkbox"/>
Is there sufficient lighting to suit your needs?	<input type="checkbox"/>
Are there operational laundry facilities?	<input type="checkbox"/>