Seattle's Fair Housing Laws

It is illegal in the City of Seattle to discriminate against any person because of:

- Race
- Color
- Creed
- Religion
- **Ancestry**
- **National Origin**
- Citizenship or **Immigration** Status
- Age
- Sex
- **Marital Status**
- Parental Status

- Sexual Orientation
- **Gender Identity**
- Political Ideology
- Veteran or Military Status
- Section 8 or Other Subsidy
- Alternative Source of Income
- Pregnancy Outcomes
- Disability
- Use of a Service Animal

Anti-Discrimination requires housing providers to:

- Set rules fairly and enforce them equally.
- Respond to all tenant repair requests and concerns equally.
- Provide reasonable accommodations for people with disabilities.
- Prohibit harassment from tenants, staff, and vendors.
- Prevent retaliation against tenants for asserting fair housing rights.

Seattle's First-in-Time law requires housing providers to post information before applications are taken, screen applications in order, and offer tenancy to the first qualified applicant that submits a complete application.

Seattle's Fair Chance Housing law prohibits housing providers from automatically excluding applicants with criminal history. They also cannot ask about, refuse to rent to, a criminal history.



If you believe you have experienced discrimination:

In Seattle, contact:



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Accommodations for people with disabilities and language services provided on request.

