

Renting and you

Our Renting and You booklet explains your basic rights and what you must do under New Zealand tenancy law (called the 'Residential Tenancies Act').

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This guide provides an overview of the Residential Tenancies Act 1986 outlining important rights and responsibilities for landlords and tenants including those in boarding houses.

We have tried to make this guide as accurate as possible. However, it doesn't cover everything and it's not the same as getting legal advice.

A copy of the Act can be purchased from some major bookshops or you can read it online at the [New Zealand Legislation website. \(https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1986/0120/latest/DLM94278.html\)](https://www.legislation.govt.nz/act/public/1986/0120/latest/DLM94278.html)

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Short Guide to Good Renting

In addition to the Renting and You booklet, we have a new publication – Short Guide to Good Renting. This publication is a simplified alternative to Renting and You. It outlines rights and responsibilities for both tenants and landlords, using a series of topic-related checklists.

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