

City of Jackson's Rental Housing Ordinance

Frequently Asked Questions

In order to maintain safe, minimum housing standards, the City of Jackson implemented a simple and cost efficient rental housing ordinance in 2008. The purpose of this ordinance is to protect public health, safety, and general welfare by:

- ◆ Promoting safety from fires and accidents
- ◆ Allowing fair administration and enforcement of this code for all residential rental units
- ◆ Regulating all residential rental units
- ◆ Providing minimum standards for maintenance of rental units
- ◆ Providing minimum standards for basic equipment and facilities
- ◆ Preventing overcrowding by providing minimum space standards per occupant for each dwelling; and
- ◆ Reducing environmental hazards to health
- ◆ Assist landlords in dealing with rental issues

Where can I get a list of registered rentals for the City of Jackson?

A list of all registered and licensed rentals may be picked up at Jackson's City Hall or be viewed online at www.cityofjacksonmn.com/rentalhousing

What information can I find on the rental property list?

The list provides the property address, the number of units, the number of bedrooms, rent, if pets (and students) are allowed, and a contact number. All information is subject to change.

The information that is included is for a reference only. It is recommended that potential renters contact the owner/manager to find the most up-to-date information.

Is there a website I can get more information about the Rental Housing Ordinance?

The information can be found on the City Services and Departments page of the City of Jackson website at www.cityofjacksonmn.com.

What issues are covered under the Rental Housing Ordinance?

A copy of the Jackson Minimum Maintenance Standards Inspection Packet List may be picked up at City Hall, 80 West Ashley Street. It may also be viewed on-line at www.cityofjacksonmn.com.

How do I know if a rental unit is licensed with the City?

A list of licensed rentals is available from City Hall, or the list may be viewed at www.cityofjacksonmn.com/rentalhousing

What do I do if the licensed property does not seem to meet minimum Rental Housing Ordinance standards?

If you have concerns, contact the landlord first. If you feel that doesn't help, contact City Hall so a course of action may be determined.

Do I as a tenant have a responsibility under the Rental Housing Ordinance?

Both tenants and owners have responsibilities. A copy of the publication *Landlords and Tenants: Rights and Responsibilities*, produced by the Office of Minnesota Attorney General Lori Swanson, is available at no cost at City Hall, 80 West Ashley.

What if I am currently renting a property in Jackson and there is a problem that the landlord won't fix?

If you have informed the landlord that there is an issue **and** have sent a notice to the landlord in writing but nothing is being done in a timely manner, there is a complaint form you can fill out at City Hall, 80 West Ashley Street, Jackson, MN 56143.

You cannot be evicted for voicing concerns or
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For a copy of the
City of Jackson Rental Housing Ordinance,
Visit the website at:
www.cityofjacksonmn.com

For a copy of the current marketing list,
Visit the Target Jackson website at:
<http://targetjackson.com/realestate.php>

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For race, color, religion, sex, handicap,
familial status, or national origin
discrimination, contact:

U.S. Department of Housing and Urban
Development
Assistant Secretary for Fair Housing and
Equal Opportunity
Washington, D.C. 20410
1-800-669-9777 (Toll Free)
1-800-927-9275 (TTY)

If you think your rights are being violated or
have questions, please contact:

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80 West Ashley Street
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