State Statutes for Landlord-Tenant Laws

The management of real estate requires knowledge about landlord-tenant laws, so this document includes what you need to know about the laws of your state. I provide tables with summarized info about many of the key landlord-tenant laws, along with a comprehensive list of additional landlord-tenant legal information for each state and the District of Columbia.

The following 21 states have adopted the Uniform Residential Landlord and Tenant Act: Alabama, Alaska, Arizona, Connecticut, Florida, Hawaii, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Michigan, Mississippi, Montana, Nebraska, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Oregon, Rhode Island, South Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, and Washington. All other states have written their own laws.

The following list shows the main landlord-tenant statutes for all 50 states, plus the District of Columbia. Landlord-tenant laws are constantly being revised, so be sure to use the links provided for each state or city to guarantee you have the latest information. Note that several major cities have rent control or other landlord-tenant laws that are different from state law. This information is for general background only; you should always consult with a landlord-tenant legal expert for specific issues.

Check with your local National Apartment Association (NAA) affiliate and Institute of Real Estate Management (IREM) chapter for info about recent or upcoming changes in landlord-tenant laws that affect you and your tenants.

Landlord-Tenant Statutes by State

Alabama

Website: www.legislature.state.al.us/

CodeofAlabama/1975/135724.htm

AL Code: Title 35 §35-9-1 to §35-9-100; §35-9A-101 to §35-9A-603 (note all 9A codes effective for leases entered into or extended or renewed as of 1/1/07 or after, except §35-9A-163, which is effective as of 1/1/08)

Rent issues: §35-9A-161 **Security deposit:** §35-9A-201

Nonpayment of rent: §35-9A-421(a), §35-9A-421(d)

Breach of lease: §35-9A-105 Withholding of rent: §35-9A-407 Repair and deduct: §35-9A-407 Access by landlord: §35-9A-303

Retaliation by landlord: §35-9A-427, §35-9A-501

Abandoned property: §35-9A-423(d)

Alaska

Website: www.commerce.state.ak.us/occ/pub/landlord.pdf

AK Statute: Title 34/Chapter 3 §34.03.010 to §34.03.380

Rent issues: §34.03.020(c) **Security deposit:** §34.03.070

Nonpayment of rent: §09.45.105, §34.03.220 **Breach of lease:** §09.45.090, §09.50.210, §34.03.220

Withholding of rent: §34.03.190 Repair and deduct: §34.03.180

Access by landlord: §34.03.140, .300 (a) & (b) **Retaliation by landlord:** §34.03.310(a), §34.03.360

Abandoned property: §34.03.260

Arizona

Website: www.azsos.gov/public_services/Publications/
Residential_Landlord_Tenant_Act/20120802_Web_version.pdf
Mobile home parks site: www.azsos.gov/public_services/
publications/Mobile_Home_Landlord_Tenant_Act/default.htm
AZ Revised Statute Annotated: Title 12/Chapter 8 (§12-1171 to §12-1183);
Title 33/Chapter 3 (§33-301 to §33-381); Title 33/Chapter 10 (§33-1301 to §33-1381)

Rent issues: §33-1314(B), (C) Security deposit: §33-1321 Nonpayment of rent: §33-1368(B) Breach of lease: §33-1368(A)

Withholding of rent: §33-1368(A)
Withholding of rent: §33-1365
Repair and deduct: §33-1363, §1364
Access by landlord: §33-1343
Retaliation by landlord: §33-1381
Abandoned property: §33-1370

Arkansas

Website: http://gotyourbackarkansas.org/home/landlordtenantrights-guide/

AR Code Annotated: Title 18, Chapter 16 (§18-16-101 to §18-16-306 and §18-

16-501 to \$18-16-509); Title 17 (\$18-17-101 to 18-17-913)

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §18-16-301 to §18-16-306 Nonpayment of rent: §18-16-101, §18-60-304

Breach of lease: — Withholding of rent: — Repair and deduct: — Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: §20-27-608 (lead hazards)

Abandoned property: §18-16-108

California

Website: www.dca.ca.gov/publications/landlordbook/index.

CA Civil Code: Division 3/Part 4/Title 5/Chapters 1–7 (§1925 to 1954, §1961 to

1962.7)

Rent issues: §1942, §1947, §1962; Orozco v. Casimiro, 212 Cal. App. 4th Supp.

7 (2004)

Security deposit: §1940.5 (g), §1950.5 **Nonpayment of rent:** §1161(2), §1162

Breach of lease: §1161(3)

Withholding of rent: Green v. Sup. Ct: 10 Cal. 3d 616 (1974)

Repair and deduct: Civ. Code §1942

Access by landlord: §1954 Retaliation by landlord: §1942.5

Abandoned property: §1965, §1980 to §1991

Colorado

Website: www.colorado.gov/cs/Satellite/DOLA-Main/ CBON/1251592203967

CO Revised Statute: (§38-12-101 to §38-12-104, §38-12-301 to §38-12-511, §13-

40-101 to §13-40-123) Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §38-12-102 to §38-12-104

Nonpayment of rent: §13-40-104 **Breach of lease:** §13-40-104(1)(d.5), (e)

Withholding of rent: —

Repair and deduct: Shanahan v. Collins, 539 P.2d 1261 (Colo. 1975)

Access by landlord: —

Retaliation by landlord: W.W.G. Corp. v. Hughes, 960 P. 2d 720 (1998)

Abandoned property: §13-40-122, §38-20-116

Connecticut

Website: www.jud.state.ct.us/lawlib/law/landlord.htm CT General Statute Annotated: Title 47a/Chapters 830 to 834

(§47a-1 to §47a-74)

Rent issues: §47a-3a, §47a-15a, §47a-4a(8)

Security deposit: §47a-21, §47a-22a Nonpayment of rent: §47-23

Breach of lease: §47a-15

Withholding of rent: §47a-14a, §47a-14h

Repair and deduct: §47a-13

Access by landlord: §47a-16 to §47a-16a Retaliation by landlord: §47a-20, §47a-33 Abandoned property: §47a-11b, §47a-42

Delaware

Website: http://attorneygeneral.delaware.gov/consumers/

protection/brochure/landten.pdf

(click the Delaware Code folder in the left panel)

DE Code Annotated: Title 25/Part III/Chapters 53 and 55 (§5101 to §5907)

Rent issues: §5501(b), (d) Security deposit: §5514

Nonpayment of rent: §5501(d), §5502

Breach of lease: §5513(a)

Withholding of rent: §5308(b)(3)

Repair and deduct: §5307

Access by landlord: §5509, §5510 Retaliation by landlord: §5516 Abandoned property: §5507, §5715

District of Columbia

Website: www.dcregs.dc.gov/gateway/titlehome.

aspx?titlenumber=14

D.C. Code Annotated: §42-3201 to §42-3610; D.C. Municipal Regulations,

Title 14, § 300 to §311

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §42-3502.17; Mun. Regs. Title 14 §308 to §311

Nonpayment of rent: §42-3505.01 **Breach of lease:** §42-3505.01

Withholding of rent: Javins v. First Nat'l Realty: 428 F.2d 1071 (DC circ. 1970)

Repair and deduct: §6-751.10 (fire alarms only)

Access by landlord: —

Retaliation by landlord: §42-3505.02

Abandoned property: —

Florida

Website: www.leg.state.fl.us/statutes/index.cfm?App mode=Display_Statute&Search_String=&URL=0000-

0099/0083/0083PARTIIContentsIndex.html

FL Statute Annotated: Title VI, Chapter 83, Part II, §83.40 to §83.682; Title XL,

Chapter 715

Rent issues: §83.46(1) Security deposit: §83.49 Nonpayment of rent: §83.56(3) Breach of lease: §83.56

Withholding of rent: §83.60 Repair and deduct: — Access by landlord: §83.53

Retaliation by landlord: §83.64

Abandoned property: §715.104 to §715.111

Georgia

Website: www.dca.ga.gov/housing/housingdevelopment/programs/ downloads/Georgia_Landlord_Tenant_Handbook.pdf

GA Code Annotated: §44-7-1 to §44-7-81

Rent issues: §44-7-1 to §44-7-16

Security deposit: §44-7-30 to §44-7-36 **Nonpayment of rent:** §44-7-50 to §44-7-52

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Ouit Notice

Withholding of rent: §44-7-54

Repair and deduct: — Access by landlord: -Retaliation by landlord: — Abandoned property: —

Hawaii

Website: http://hawaii.gov/dcca/ocp/landlord_tenant/

HI Revised Statute: §521-1 to §521-78

Rent issues: §521-21(b) Security deposit: §521-44

Nonpayment of rent: §521-68(a), (b) **Breach of lease:** §521-51, 521-69 to §521-72

Withholding of rent: §521-78 Repair and deduct: §521-64

Access by landlord: §521-53, §521-70(b), §521-73

Retaliation by landlord: §521-74 **Abandoned property:** §521-56

1daho

Website: www.ag.idaho.gov/publications/consumer/

LandlordTenant.pdf

ID Code: Title 6, §6-201 to §6-324; Title 55, §55-201 to §55-308

Rent issues: §6-301 to §6-324 Security deposit: §6-321

Nonpayment of rent: §6-303(2)

Breach of lease: §6-303 Withholding of rent: — Repair and deduct: — Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: §55-2015; Wright v. Brandy, 126 Idaho 671, 889 P.2d

105 (Ct. App. 1995)

Abandoned property: §6-311C

Illinois

Website: www.ilga.gov/legislation/ilcs/ilcs2.

asp?ChapterID=62

IL Compiled Statute: Chap. 735 §5/9-201 to §321; Chap. 765 para. §705/0.01 to

§742/30

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: Ch. 765 para. §710, §715 Nonpayment of rent: Ch. 735 para. §5/9-209

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice

Withholding of rent: Ch. 765 para. §735/2 to §735/2.2

Repair and deduct: Ch. 765 §742/5

Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: Ch. 765 para. §720/1 **Abandoned property:** Ch. 735, §5/9-318

Indiana

Website: www.in.gov/legislative/ic/2010/title32/ar31/

IN Code Annotated: §32-31-1-1 to §32-31-9-15

Rent issues: Watson v. Penn, 108 Ind. 21, 8 NE 636 (1886)

Security deposit: §32-31-3-9 to §32-31-3-19

Nonpayment of rent: §32-31-1-6

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice

Withholding of rent: — Repair and deduct: — Access by landlord: -Retaliation by landlord: -

Abandoned property: §32-31-4-1 to 32-31-4-5, §32-31-5-5

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Website: www2.legis.state.ia.us/IACODE/1999/562A/ **IA Code Annotated:** Title XIV, §562A.1 to 562A.37 and §535.2(7)

Rent issues: §562A.9(3), §535.2(7)

Security deposit: §562A.12

Nonpayment of rent: §562A.27(2) Breach of lease: §562A.27(1), .27A Withholding of rent: §562A.24 Repair and deduct: §562A.23

Access by landlord: §562A.19, §562.28, §562.29

Retaliation by landlord: §562A.36

Abandoned property: -

Kansas

Website: http://kslegislature.org/li/b2011 12/statute/058_000_0000_chapter/058_025_0000_article/058_025_0001_ section/058_025_0001_k/

KS Statute Annotated: §58-2501 to 58-2573

Rent issues: §58-2545(c) Security deposit: §58-2550

Nonpayment of rent: §58-2507, §58-2508, §58-2564(b)

Breach of lease: §58-2559, §58-2564 Withholding of rent: §58-2561

Repair and deduct: —

Access by landlord: §58-2557, §58-2565 Retaliation by landlord: §58-2572 **Abandoned property:** §58-2565

Kentucky

Website: www.lrc.state.ky.us/krs/383-00/chapter.htm KY Revised Statute Annotated: Chapter 383, §383.010 to §383.715

Rent issues: §383.565 Security deposit: §383.580 **Nonpayment of rent:** §383.660(2)

Breach of lease: §383.660(1) Withholding of rent: §383.645

Repair and deduct: §383.635, §383.640

Access by landlord: §383.615, §383.665, §383.670

Retaliation by landlord: §383.705

Abandoned property: —

Louisiana

Website: www.ag.state.la.us/Shared/ViewDoc.

aspx?Type=3&Doc=220 and www.legis.state.la.us/lss/lss.

asp?doc=107457

LA Revised Statute Annotated: \$9:3251 to \$9:3261; Civil Code \$2668 to \$2729

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §9:3251 to §9:3254 **Nonpayment of rent:** CCP §4701, §9:3259

Breach of lease: CCP §4701 Withholding of rent: -

Repair and deduct: Civil Code §2694 Access by landlord: Civil Code §2693

Retaliation by landlord: -

Abandoned property: Donnell v. Gray, 34 So. 2d 648 (1948)

Maine

Website: www.mainelegislature.org/legis/statutes/14/

title14ch709sec0.html

ME Revised Statute Annotated: Title 14 §6001 to §6046

Rent issues: §6028

Security deposit: §6031 to §6038 Nonpayment of rent: §6002

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Ouit Notice

Withholding of rent: §6021 Repair and deduct: §6026 Access by landlord: §6025 Retaliation by landlord: §6001

Abandoned property: §6005, §6013(3), (4)

Maryland

Website: www.oag.state.md.us/Consumer/landlordTenantPDF.pdf

MD Code Annotated [Real Property]: §8-101 to §8-604

Rent issues: §8-208(d)(3) Security deposit: §8-203 Nonpayment of rent: §8-401 Breach of lease: §8-402.1

Withholding of rent: §8-118, §8-211, §8-211.1

Repair and deduct: — Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: §8-206, §8-208.1, §8-208.2

Abandoned property: -

Massachusetts

Website: www.malegislature.gov/Laws/GeneralLaws/PartII/

TitleI/Chapter186

MA General Laws Annotated: Chapter 186 §1 to 22 **Rent issues:** Ch. 186 §11, §15B(1)(c); Ch. 239 §8A

Security deposit: Ch. 186 §15B

Nonpayment of rent: Ch. 186 §11, §11A, §12

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice

Withholding of rent: Ch. 239 §8A Repair and deduct: Ch. 186 §14 Access by landlord: Ch. 186 §15B1(a)

Retaliation by landlord: Ch. 239 §2A, Ch. 186 §18

Abandoned property: -

Michigan

Website: www.legislature.mi.gov/(S(tf2unj55w0wx1z45jxtwkeup))/

mileg.aspx?page=getObject&objectName=mcl-chap554 MI Compiled Laws: §554.131 to §554.201, §554.601-§554.641 **Rent issues:** Hilsendegen v. Scheich. 21 N.W. 2d 894 (1885)

Security deposit: §554.602 to §554.616 **Nonpayment of rent:** §554.134(2) **Breach of lease:** §600.5714(c) Withholding of rent: §125.530

Repair and deduct: Rome v. Walker, 198 N.W. 2d 458 (1972); §554.139

Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: §600.5720

Abandoned property: —

Minnesota

Website: www.aq.state.mn.us/consumer/housing/lt/default.asp

MN Statute Annotated: §504B.001 to 504B.471; §609.5317

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §504B.178

Nonpayment of rent: §504B.135, §504B.291 Breach of lease: §504B.281, §504B.285 Withholding of rent: §504B.441

Repair and deduct: §504B.385 Access by landlord: §504B.211

Retaliation by landlord: §504B.285, §504B.441

Abandoned property: §504B.271

Mississippi

Website: www.mscode.com/free/statutes/89/008/index.htm and

www.mslawyer.com/statutes/landlord.html

MS Code Annotated: Title 89, §89-7-1 to §89-7-125, §89-8-1 to §89-8-27

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §89-8-21

Nonpayment of rent: §89-7-27, §89-7-45

Breach of lease: §89-8-13 Withholding of rent: — Repair and deduct: §89-8-15 Access by landlord: —

Retaliation by landlord: §89-8-17

Abandoned property: -

Missouri

Website: www.moga.mo.gov/statutes/c535.htm

MO Revised Statute: Chapter 441, §441.005-§441.880; Chapter 535, §535.150-

§535.300

Rent issues: §535.060 Security deposit: §535.300 Nonpayment of rent: §535.010

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice

Withholding of rent: §441.570, §441.580

Repair and deduct: §441.234 Access by landlord: — Retaliation by landlord: — Abandoned property: §441.065

Montana

Website: http://data.opi.mt.gov/bills/mca_toc/70.htm

MT Code Annotated: §70-24-101 to §70-26-110

Rent issues: §70-24-201(2)(b)(c)

Security deposit: §70-25-201 to §70-24-206 **Nonpayment of rent:** §70-24-422(2)

Breach of lease: §70-24-422 Withholding of rent: §70-24-421

Repair and deduct: §70-24-406 to §70-24-408

Access by landlord: §70-24-312 Retaliation by landlord: §70-24-431 Abandoned property: §70-24-430

Nebraska

Website: www.nrec.ne.gov/legal/landlordacttoc.html **NE Revised Statute:** §76-1401 to §76-1449, §69-2301 to §69-2314

Rent Issues: §76-1414(3) Security deposit: §76-1416 **Nonpayment of rent:** §76-1431(2) **Breach of lease:** §76-1431 Withholding of rent: §76-1428 Repair and deduct: §76-1427

Access by landlord: §76-1423, §76-1438 Retaliation by landlord: §76-14, §76-1439 **Abandoned property:** §69-2301 to §69-2314

Nevada

Website: www.leg.state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-118A.html and www.leg. state.nv.us/NRS/NRS-040.html#NRS040Sec385

NV Revised Statute Annotated: §118A.010 to §118A.530, §40.215 to §40.425

Rent issues: §118A.200(2)(g), (3)(c); §118A.210

Security deposit: §118A.240, §118A.250

Nonpayment of rent: §40.2512 Breach of lease: §40.2516 Withholding of rent: §118A.490

Repair and deduct: §118A.360, §118A.380

Access by landlord: §118A.330 Retaliation by landlord: \$118A.510

Abandoned property: §118A.450, §118A.460

New Hampshire

Website: www.gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/lv/540/540-mrg. htm; http://gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/lv/540-a/540-amrg.htm; and http://gencourt.state.nh.us/rsa/html/lv/540b/540-b-mrg.htm

NH Revised Statute Annotated: §540:1 to §540:29 to 540-A:1 to §540-A:8, §540-

B:1 to \$540-B:10 Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §540-A:5 to §540-A:8, §540-B:10 **Nonpayment of rent:** §540:2, §540:3, §540:9, §540:9-a

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice

Withholding of rent: §540:13-d

Repair and deduct:

Access by landlord: §540-A:3

Retaliation by landlord: §540:13-a, §540:13-b

Abandoned property: §540-A:3(VII)

New Jersey

Website: www.nj.gov/dca/divisions/codes/offices/landlord_

tenant_information.html

NJ Statute Annotated: §46:8-1 to §46:8-50; 2A:42-1 to 2A:42-96

Rent issues: §2A-42-6.1

Security deposit: §46:8-19 to §46:8-26

Nonpayment of rent: §2A:18-53, §2A:18-61.1, §2A.18-61.2, §2A:42-9

Breach of lease: §2A:18-53(c), §2A:18-61.1(e)(1) **Withholding of rent:** §2A:42-85 to §2A:42-92

Repair and deduct: Marini v. Ireland, 265 A.2d 526 (1970)

Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: §2A:42-10.10, §2A:42-10.12

Abandoned property: §2A:18-72 to 2A:18-82

New Mexico

Website: www.nmonesource.com/nmpublic/gateway.

dll/?f=templates&fn=default.htm

NM Statute Annotated: §47-8-1 to §47-8-52; §47-8A-1

Rent issues: §47-8-15 Security deposit: §47-8-18 Nonpayment of rent: §47-8-33 Breach of lease: §47-8-33 Withholding of rent: §47-8-30 Repair and deduct: §47-8-29 Access by landlord: §47-8-24 Retaliation by landlord: §47-8-39 Abandoned property: §47-8-34.1

New York

Website: http://public.leginfo.state.ny.us/MENUGETF.cgi?COMM ONOUERY=LAWS+&TARGET=VIEW

NY Gen. Obligation Law (GOB), Article 7, §7-101 to 7-109; Real Property Laws (RPP), Article 7, §220-238; Real Property Acts §701-853; Multi-Dwelling Laws (MDW), Articles 1–11; Multiple Residence (MRE), Articles 1–9

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: GOB §7-101 to §7-109 Nonpayment of rent: RPA §711(2) Breach of lease: RPA §711(3), § 711(6) Withholding of rent: MRE §305-A, RPP 235-B Repair and deduct: MRE §305-C, RPP 235-A

Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: RPP 223-B

Abandoned property: —

North Carolina

Website: www.ncleg.net/gascripts/Statutes/StatutesTOC. pl?Chapter=0042

NC General Statute: Chapter 42, §42-1 to §42-14.3; §42-25.6 to §42-76

Rent issues: §42-46

Security deposit: §42-50 to §42-56

Nonpayment of rent: §42-3

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice if lease per-

mits

Withholding of rent: §42-44 Repair and deduct: — Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: §42-37.1 to §42-37.3 **Abandoned property:** §42-25.9, §42-36.2

North Dakota

Website: www.legis.nd.gov/cencode/t47c16.pdf

ND Century Code: §47-16-01 to §47-16-41

Rent issues: §47-16-07

Security deposit: §47-16-07.1, §47-16-07.2

Nonpayment of rent: §33-06-01

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice if term is

material

Withholding of rent: — Repair and deduct: §47-16-13 Access by landlord: §47-16-07.3 Retaliation by landlord: -Abandoned property: §47-16-30.1

Ohio

Website: http://codes.ohio.gov/orc/5321 OH Revised Code Annotated: §5321.01 to §5321.19

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §5321.16 Nonpayment of rent: — Breach of lease: §5321.11 Withholding of rent: §5321.07

Repair and deduct: —

Access by landlord: §5321.04(A)(8), §5321.05(B)

Retaliation by landlord: §5321.02

Abandoned property: -

Oklahoma

Website: www.ok.gov/OREC/documents/Landlord%20and%20

Tenant%20Act%20Update.pdf

OK Statute Annotated: Title 41 §101 to §136

Rent issues: §109, §132 Security deposit: §115 Nonpayment of rent: §131 Breach of lease: §132 Withholding of rent: §121 Repair and deduct: §121 Access by landlord: §128 Retaliation by landlord: -Abandoned property: §130

Oregon

Website: www.leg.state.or.us/ors/090.html; www.leg.state. or.us/ors/091.html; and www.leg.state.or.us/ors/105.html **OR Revised Statute:** §90.100 to §90.875, §91.010 to §91.225, §105.165

Rent issues: OR §90.240(6)(a), §90.260 **Security deposit:** §90.300 to §90.302 **Nonpayment of rent:** §90.400(2) Breach of lease: §90.400(1), §90.405 Withholding of rent: §90.370

Repair and deduct: §90.360, §90.365

Access by landlord: §90.322 Retaliation by landlord: §90.385

Abandoned property: §90.425, §105.165

Pennsylvania

Website: www.attorneygeneral.gov/uploadedfiles/consumers/ landlord tenant act.pdf

PA Consolidated Statute Annotated: Title 68 §250.101 to §250-.510-B, §399.1

to §399.18 Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §250.511a to §250.512 Nonpayment of rent: §250.501(b) Breach of lease: §250.501, §250.505a Withholding of rent: §250.206, §1700-1

Repair and deduct: Pugh v. Holmes, 405 A.2d 897 (1979)

Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: §250.205, §399.11

Abandoned property: —

Rhode Island

Website: http://webserver.rilin.state.ri.us/Statutes/

TITLE34/34-18/INDEX.HTM

RI General Law: §34-18-1 to §34-18-57 **Rent issues:** §34-18-15(c), §34-18-35

Security deposit: §34-18-19

Nonpayment of rent: §34-18-35, §34-18-51

Breach of lease: §34-18-36 Withholding of rent: §34-18-32

Repair and deduct: §34-18-30, §34-18-31

Access by landlord: §34-18-26 **Retaliation by landlord:** §34-18-46

Abandoned property: -

South Carolina

Website: www.scstatehouse.gov/code/t27c040.php

SC Code Annotated: §27-33-10 to 27-33-50; §27-37-10 to 27-37-160; §27-40-10 to

§27-40-940

Rent issues: §27-40-310(c) Security deposit: §27-40-410 Nonpayment of rent: §27-40-710

Breach of lease: §27-40-710, §27-37-10(B) Withholding of rent: §27-40-640, §27-40-790

Repair and deduct: §27-40-630, §27-40-640, §27-40-790

Access by landlord: §27-40-530 Retaliation by landlord: §27-40-910 Abandoned property: §27-40-730

South Dakota

Website: http://legis.state.sd.us/statutes/DisplayStatute. aspx?Statute=21-16&Type=Statute and http://legis. state.sd.us/statutes/DisplayStatute.aspx?Statute=43-32&Type=Statute

SD Codified Laws Annotated: §21-16-1 to 21-16-12, §43-32-1 to §43-32-31

Rent issues: §43-32-12

Security deposit: §43-32-6.1, §43-32-24

Nonpayment of rent: §21-16-2 Breach of lease: §21-16-2 Withholding of rent: §43-32-9 Repair and deduct: §43-32-9 Access by landlord: —

Retaliation by landlord: §43-32-27, §43-32-28 **Abandoned property:** §43-32-25, §43-32-26

Tennessee

Website: http://tn.gov/consumer/documents/

UniformResidentialLandlordandTenantAct7.12.12.pdf

TN Code Annotated: Title 66, §66-28-101 to §66-28-521

Rent issues: §66-28-201(c), (d) Security deposit: §66-28-301 Nonpayment of rent: §66-28-505

Breach of lease: §66-28-401, §66-28-505(d)

Withholding of rent: §68-111-104 Repair and deduct: §66-28-502

Access by landlord: §66-28-403, §66-28-507 **Retaliation by landlord:** §66-28-514, §68-111-105

Abandoned property: §66-28-405

Texas

Website: www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/SOTWDocs/PR/htm/PR.91.htm and www.statutes.legis.state.tx.us/SOTWDocs/PR/htm/PR.92.htm

TX Property Code Annotated: Title 8, §91.001 to §92.355

Rent issues: —

Security deposit: §92.101 to §92.109 Nonpayment of rent: §24.005

Breach of lease: — Withholding of rent: —

Repair and deduct: §92.056, §92.0561

Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: §92.331

Abandoned property: -

Utah

Website: http://le.utah.gov/UtahCode/chapter.jsp?code=57 and

http://le.utah.gov/UtahCode/chapter.jsp?code=78B

UT Code Annotated: Title 57, §57-17-1 to §57-17-5, §57-20-1, §57-21-1 to

\$57-21-14, \$57-22-1 to \$57-22-6, \$78B-6-801 to 78B-6-816

Rent issues: —

Security deposit: §57-17-1 to §57-21-5 Nonpayment of rent: §78-36-3(c)

Breach of lease: §78-36-3 Withholding of rent: — Repair and deduct: —

Access by landlord: §57-22-5(2)(c)

Retaliation by landlord: Bldg. Monitoring Sys. v. Paxton, 905 P.2d 1215

(Utah 1995)

Abandoned property: §78-36-12.6

Vermont

Website: www.leg.state.vt.us/statutes/sections.

cfm?Title=09&Chapter=137

VT Statute Annotated: Title 9, Chapter 137, §4451 to §4468

Rent issues: §4455 Security deposit: §4461 Nonpayment of rent: §4467(a)

Breach of lease: LL can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice

Withholding of rent: §4458 Repair and deduct: §4459 Access by landlord: §4460 Retaliation by landlord: §4465 **Abandoned property:** §4462

Virginia

Website: http://leg1.state.va.us/cgi-bin/legp504.exe?000+cod

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VA Code Annotated: Title 55, Chapter 13, §55-217 to §55-248

Rent issues: §55-248-7(c) **Security deposit:** §55-248.15:1

Nonpayment of rent: §55-225, 55-243, §55-248.31

Breach of lease: §55-248.31

Withholding of rent: §55-248.25, §55-248.25:1, §55-248.27

Repair and deduct: §55-248.32

Access by landlord: §55-248.18, §55-248.38

Retaliation by landlord: §55-248.39

Abandoned property: §55-248.38:1, §55-248.38:2

Washington

Website: http://apps.leg.wa.gov/rcw/default.aspx?Cite=59 WA Revised Code Annotated: Title 59, §59.04.010 to §59.04.900, §59.18.010 to

§59.18.911 Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §59.18.260 to §59-18.285

Nonpayment of rent: §59.12.030(3) **Breach of lease:** §59.12.030(4)

Withholding of rent: §59.18.110, §59.18.115

Repair and deduct: §59.18.100 Access by landlord: §59.18.150

Retaliation by landlord: §59.18.240, §59.18.250

Abandoned property: §59.18.310

West Virginia

Website: www.legis.state.wv.us/WVCODE/Code.

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cfm?chap=55&art=3A#03A

WV Code: §37-6-1 to §37-6-30, 55-3A-1

Rent issues: — Security deposit: —

Nonpayment of rent: §55-3A-1 Breach of lease: §55-3A-1 Withholding of rent: —

Repair and deduct: Chewrant v. Bee, 28 S.E. 751 (1978)

Access by landlord: -

Retaliation by landlord: Imperial Colliery Co. v. Fout, 373 S.E. 2d 489 (1998)

Abandoned property: -

Wisconsin

Website: https://docs.legis.wisconsin.gov/statutes/statutes/

704.pdf

WI Statute Annotated: Chapter 704, §704.01 to §704.50; Administrative Code

ATCP §134.01 to §134.10

Rent issues: —

Security deposit: Code ATCP §134.06

Nonpayment of rent: §704.17 Breach of lease: §704.17 Withholding of rent: §704.07(4)

Repair and deduct: —

Access by landlord: §704.05(2)

Retaliation by landlord: §704.45, ATCP §134.09(5)

Abandoned property: §704.05(5)

Wyoming

Website: http://legisweb.state.wy.us/statutes/statutes.aspx

WY Statute: §34-2-128 to §34-2-129, §1-21-1201 to §1-21-1211

Rent issues: -

Security deposit: §1-21-1208, §1-21-1209 **Nonpayment of rent:** §1-21-1201 to §1-21-1203

Breach of lease: §1-21-1205 Withholding of rent: §1-21-1206

Repair and deduct: —
Access by landlord: —
Retaliation by landlord: —
Abandoned property: §1-21-1210

Scenario-Specific Laws by State Regarding rent control

| | States with Rent Co | ntrol | |
|-------------------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--|
| California ^a | Maryland ^b | New York ^c | |
| District of Columbia | New Jersey ^d | | |

^a Cities with rent control include Berkeley, Beverly Hills, East Palo Alto, Hayward, Los Angeles, Los Gatos, Oakland, Palm Springs, San Francisco, San Jose, Santa Monica, and West Hollywood; cities with a Just Cause Ordinance or Rent Mediation/Review include Campbell, Fremont, Gardena, Glendale, Pasadena, San Diego, and San Leandro

^d Numerous municipalities and counties

| States That Prohibit or Preempt Rent Control | | | | |
|---|------------------|---------------|----------------|------------|
| Alabama | Idaho | Massachusetts | North Carolina | Texas |
| Arizona | Ill inois | Michigan | North Dakota | Utah |
| Arkansas | Indiana | Minnesota | Oklahoma | Vermont |
| Colorado | lowa | Mississippi | Oregon | Virginia |
| Connecticut | Kansas | Missouri | South Carolina | Washington |
| Florida Kentucky New Hampshire South Dakota Wisconsin | | | | Wisconsin |
| Georgia | Louisiana | New Mexico | Tennessee | Wyoming |

Note: States not listed in the previous two tables don't have rent control and/ or prohibition/preemption.

Regarding repairing and deducting

| Sta | States That Allow a Tenant to Repair and Deduct | | | | |
|--------------------------------------|---|-------------|-----------------------|--------------|--|
| Alaska | III inois | Minnesota | New York ^b | South Dakota | |
| Arizona | lowa | Mississippi | North Dakota | Tennessee | |
| California | Kentucky | Missouri | Oklahoma | Texas | |
| Connecticut | Louisiana | Montana | Oregon | Utah | |
| Delaware | Maine | Nebraska | Pennsylvania | Vermont | |
| District of Columbia ^a | Massachusetts | Nevada | Rhode Island | Washington | |
| Hawaii | Michigan | New Jersey | South Carolina | | |

^a Fire alarm installation only

b Cities/counties include College Park, Frederick County, Takoma Park, and Washington County

^c Numerous municipalities and counties

b Emergency repairs only

Regarding withholding of rent

States That Allow Tenant to Withhold Rent if Landlord **Fails to Provide Essential Services or Habitable Premises**

| Alabama | Florida | Massachusetts | New Jersey | South Carolina |
|----------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------|----------------|
| Alaska | Hawaii | Michigan | New Mexico | South Dakota |
| Arizona | Ill inois | Minnesota | New York | Tennessee |
| California | lowa | Missouri | Ohio | Vermont |
| Colorado | Kansas | Montana | Oklahoma | Virginia |
| Connecticut | Kentucky | Nebraska | Oregon | Washington |
| Delaware | Maine | Nevada | Pennsylvania | Wisconsin |
| District of Columbia | Maryland | New Hampshire | Rhode Island | Wyoming |

Regarding month-to-month tenancy termination

| Notice to Terminate a Month-to-Month Tenancy by State | | | |
|---|-----------------------------------|--|--------------------------|
| State | Notice from Tenant to Landlord | Notice from Landlord to Tenant | Statute |
| Alabama | 30 days | 30 days | §35-9A-441 |
| Alaska | 30 days | 30 days | §34.03.290(b) |
| Arizona | 30 days | 30 days | §33-1375 |
| Arkansas | Per lease | 10 days | §18-16-101, 18-17-704 |
| California | 30 days | 60 days (30 days if tenancy less than 1 year or other conditions) | §1946.1, 827a |
| Colorado | 10 days | 10 days | §13-40-107 |
| Connecticut | N/A | 3 days | §47a-23 |
| Delaware | 60 days ^b | 60 days | §5106, §5107 |
| District of Columbia | 30 days | 30 days | §42-3202 |
| Florida | 15 days | 15 days | §83.57 |
| Georgia | 30 days | 60 days | §44-7-6, §44-7-7 |

| State | Notice from Tenant to Landlord | Notice from Landlord to Tenant | Statute |
|----------------|---|---|---------------------------|
| Hawaii | 28 days | 45 days | §521-71, §521-21(d) |
| Idaho | 1 month | 1 month | §55-208, §55-307 |
| Illinois | 30 days | 30 days | §5/9-207 |
| Indiana | 1 month | 1 month | §32-31-1-1, §32-31-5-4 |
| Iowa | 30 days | 30 days | §562A.34, §562A.13(5) |
| Kansas | 30 days | 30 days | §58-2570 |
| Kentucky | 30 days | 30 days | §383.695 |
| Louisiana | 10 days | 10 days | §2728 |
| Maine | 30 days | 30 days | §6002, §6015 |
| Maryland | 1 month | 1 month | §8-402(b)(3)&(4) |
| Massachusetts | Longer of interval between payments or 30 days | Longer of interval between payments or 30 days | §186, §12 |
| Michigan | Interval between payments | Interval between payments | §554.134 |
| Minnesota | Lesser of interval between payments or 3 months | Lesser of interval between payments or 3 months | §504B.135 |
| Mississippi | 30 days | 30 days | §89-8-19 |
| Missouri | 1 month | 1 month | §441.060 |
| Montana | 30 days | 30 days | §70-24-441, §70-26-109 |
| Nebraska | 30 days | 30 days | §76-1437 |
| Nevada | 30 days | 30 days | §40.251, §118A.300 |
| New Hampshire | 30 days | 30 days ^a | §540:2, §540:3 |
| New Jersey | 1 month | 1 month ^a | §2A:18-56 |
| New Mexico | 30 days | 30 days | §47-8-37, §47-8-15(F) |
| New York | 1 month | 1 month | §232-B |
| North Carolina | 7 days | 7 days | §42-14 |
| North Dakota | 30 days ^c | 30 days | §47-16-15, §47-16-07 |

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| State | Notice from Tenant to Landlord | Notice from Landlord to Tenant | Statute |
|----------------|-----------------------------------|--|---------------------------|
| Ohio | 30 days | 30 days | §5321.17 |
| Oklahoma | 30 days | 30 days | §111 |
| Oregon | 30 days | 60 days (30 days if tenancy less than 1 year or rental property sold and other conditions) | §91.070, §90.427 |
| Pennsylvania | N/A | N/A | N/A |
| Rhode Island | 30 days | 30 days | §34-18-16.1, §34-18-37 |
| South Carolina | 30 days | 30 days | §27-40-770 |
| South Dakota | 1 month ^b | 1 month | §43-32-13, §43-8-8 |
| Tennessee | 30 days | 30 days | §66-28-512 |
| Texas | 1 month | 1 month | §91.001 |
| Utah | N/A | 15 days | §78B-6-802 |
| Vermont | 1 rental period ^d | 30 days | §4467, §4456(d) |
| Virginia | 30 days | 30 days | §55-248.37, §55-248.7 |
| Washington | 20 days | 20 days | §59.18200, §59.18.140 |
| West Virginia | 1 month | 1 month | §37-6-5 |
| Wisconsin | 28 days | 28 days | §704.19 |
| Wyoming | N/A | N/A | N/A |

^a Landlord may terminate for just cause only ^b Tenant may terminate on 15 days' notice if landlord changes terms ^c Tenant may terminate on 25 days' notice if landlord changes terms ^d See code for details

Regarding changing the terms of the rental agreement

States with No Statute on the Notice Required to **Change Rent or Other Terms**

| Alabama | Louisiana | New York | Tennessee |
|----------------------|-------------|----------------|-----------------------|
| Arkansas | Michigan | North Carolina | Texas |
| District of Columbia | Minnesota | Ohio | Utah |
| Florida | Mississippi | Oklahoma | Virginia ^a |
| Georgia | Missouri | Oregon | West Virginia |
| Kansas | Nebraska | South Carolina | Wisconsin |

^a Landlord must comply with rental agreement notice requirements, and tenant must agree to any change in writing.

Regarding landlord responsibility when tenant vacates early

States Where Landlord Must Mitigate or Minimize Potential Loss of Rent if Tenant Vacates Early

| Alabama | ldaho | Maine | New Mexico | Rhode Island | Wisconsin |
|-------------|------------------|---------------|-------------------|-------------------|-----------|
| Alaska | Ill inois | Maryland | New York | South Carolina | Wyoming |
| Arizona | Indiana | Missouri | North Carolina | Tennessee | |
| California | lowa | Montana | North Dakota | Texas | |
| Connecticut | Kansas | Nebraska | Ohio | Utah | |
| Delaware | Kentucky | Nevada | Oklahoma | Virginia | |
| Hawaii | Louisiana | New Jersey | Oregon | Washington | |

Regarding re-renting the unit

| States Where Landlord Isn't Required to Re-rent Unit | | | | | |
|--|-------------------------|---------------|-------------|--------------|--|
| Arkansas | District of Columbia | Georgia | Minnesota | Pennsylvania | |
| Colorado | Florida | Massachusetts | Mississippi | Vermont | |

Note: States not listed in this table don't have a statute or court case addressing a landlord's duty to mitigate loss of income when a tenant vacates early.

Regarding time tenant has to pay rent post-nonpayment notice

Time Permitted for Tenant to Pay Rent after Nonpayment Notice Served

| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|-------------------------|--|------------------------|
| Alabama | 7 days Landlord can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice on 7 or 14 days' notice depending on reason | §35-9A-421 |
| Alaska | 7 days | §09.45.090, §34.03.220 |
| Arizona | 5 days | §33-1368 |
| Arkansas | Landlord may terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice of 3 days | §18-60-304, §18-16-101 |
| California | 3 days | §1161(2) |
| Colorado | 3 days | §13-40-104(1)(d) |
| Connecticut | 9 days Landlord can't serve Unconditional Quit Notice unless rent is 9 or more days late | §47a-23, §47a-15a |
| Delaware | 5 days | §5501(d), §5502 |
| District of Columbia | 30 days | §42-3505.01 |
| Florida | 3 days | §83.56(3) |
| Georgia | Landlord can file for eviction immediately if rent not paid; tenant has 7 days to pay | §44-7-50, §44-7-52 |

| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|------------------|---|--|
| Hawaii | 5 days | §521-68 |
| Idaho | 3 days | §6-303(2) |
| Ill inois | 5 days | §5/9-209 |
| Indiana | 10 days | §32-31-1-6 |
| lowa | 3 days | §562A.27(2) |
| Kansas | 10 days (tenancies longer than 3 months); 3 days (tenancies less than 3 months) | §58-2507, §58-2508, §58-2564(b) |
| Kentucky | 7 days | §383.660(2) |
| Louisiana | Landlord can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice | §4701 |
| Maine | 7 days (after rent is 7 days late) | Title 14, §6002 |
| Maryland | 5 days | §8-401 |
| Massachusetts | 14 days or per lease; immediate for holdover tenants | §186, §11 to §12 |
| Michigan | 7 days | §554.134(2) |
| Minnesota | 14 days | §504B.135 |
| Mississippi | 3 days (if rent & costs are paid prior to removal tenant can stay) | §89-7-27, §89-7-45 |
| Missouri | Landlord can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice | §535.010 |
| Montana | 3 days | §70-24-422(2) |
| Nebraska | 3 days | §76-1431(2) |
| Nevada | 5 days | §40.251 |
| New Hampshire | 7 days (tenant can stay if rent paid + \$15) | 40:2, §540:3, §540:9 |
| New Jersey | 30 days (tenant can pay rent + costs any time before trial) | §2A:18-53, §2A:18-61.1, §2A:18-61.2, §2A:42-9 |
| New Mexico | 3 days | §47-8-33(D) |
| New York | 3 days | §711(2) |
| North Carolina | 10 days | §42-3 |
| North Dakota | Landlord can file eviction when rent is 3 days late; can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice | §33-06-01 |
| Ohio | Landlord can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice | N/A |
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(continued) Time Permitted for Tenant to Pay Rent after Nonpayment Notice Served

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|----------------|--|---------------------------------|
| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
| Oklahoma | 5 days | §131 |
| Oregon | 72 hours (after rent is 8 days late); 144 hours (after rent is 5 days late) | §90.400(2)(b) |
| Pennsylvania | 10 days | §250.501(b) |
| Rhode Island | 5 days (after rent is 15 days late and subject to conditions) | §34-18-35 |
| South Carolina | 5 days (or less, per rental contract and conditions) | §27-40-710(B), §27-37-10(B) |
| South Dakota | 3 days; landlord can terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice | §21-16-1(4), §21-16-2 |
| Tennessee | 14 days to pay (plus 16 days to vacate) | §66-28-505 |
| Texas | Per lease (or 3 days without writ- ten agreement) | §24.005 |
| Utah | 3 days | §78-36-3(c) |
| Vermont | 14 days | §4467(a) |
| Virginia | 5 days (If rent + costs + interest are paid, tenant can stay) | §55-225, §55-243, §55-248.31 |
| Washington | 3 days | §59.12.030(3) |
| West Virginia | Landlord can file for eviction immediately without giving notice or opportunity to cure | §55-3A-1 |
| Wisconsin | 5 days (month-to-month or lease less than one year); 30 days (lease greater than 1 year) | §704.17 |
| Wyoming | 3 days (if rent is 3 days or more late and minimum notice of 3 days); can also terminate with Unconditional Quit Notice | §1-21-1002 to §1-21-1003 |

Regarding unconditional quit notices

Time Permitted for Landlord to Use Unconditional Quit Notice without Permitting Tenant to Pay Past-Due Rent or Cure a Lease Violation

| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|-------------|--|--|
| Alabama | 7 days (see statute but generally possession or use of illegal drugs, discharge of firearm, or criminal assault) | §35-9A-421 |
| | 14 days (misrepresentation of material fact in rental application or rental agreement) | |
| Alaska | 24 hours (causing more than \$400 of damage or repeat lease violation within 6 months) | §34.03.220(a)(1), §9.45.090(a) |
| | 3 days (failure to pay utility bills twice within 6 months) | (2)(G), §34.03.220(e), §34.03.300(a) |
| | 5 days (certain illegal activity on property) | 354.05.500(a) |
| | 10 days (not allowing landlord to enter rental unit) | |
| Arizona | Immediately (see statute but includes murder, prostitution, discharging a weapon, use or sale of illegal drugs, or assaults) | §33-1368 |
| | 10 days (material misrepresentation of criminal record, prior eviction, or current criminal activity) | |
| Arkansas | 3 days (see statute but generally for non- payment of rent after 10 days' notice or engaging in illegal activity such as gambling, prostitution, or unlawful sale of alcohol) | §18-60-304, §18-16-101 |
| California | 3 days (assigning or subletting without landlord approval, committing waster or nuisance, or illegal activity on premises) | §1161(4) |
| Colorado | Immediately (any repeated violation of lease clause) | §13-40-104(1) (e.5) |
| Connecticut | Immediately (conviction for gambling or prostitution) | §47a-23, §47a-15, |
| | 3 days (see statute but generally for non- payment of rent, serious nuisance, violation of rental agreement, refusal to accept fair rent increase, intent of landlord to use as principal residence, removal of unit from rental market, and other reasons) | §47a-15a, §47a-31 |
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(continued) Time Permitted for Landlord to Use Unconditional Quit Notice without Permitting Tenant to Pay Past-Due Rent or Cure a Lease Violation

| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|-------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Delaware | Immediately (see statute but generally vio- lation of law or breach of rental agreement under certain circumstances) | §5513, §5514 |
| | 7 days (see statute but generally violation of lease provision that is also violation of local or state law or violation of material term of lease provision twice within 12 months) | |
| District of Columbia | 30 days (court determines an illegal act was performed on the premises) | §42-3505.01(c) |
| Florida | 7 days (intentional destruction of rental property or other tenant's property or unreasonable disturbances; repeat violation of lease term within 12 months) | §83.56(2)(a) |
| Georgia | Immediately (holding over after expiration of lease or rental agreement or nonpay- ment of rent more than once in 12 months) | §44-7-50, §44- 7-52 |
| Hawaii | Immediately (causing or threatening to cause irremediable harm to any person or property) | §521-70(c), §521-69, §666-3 |
| | 5 days (second failure to abate a nuisance within 24 hours of notice) | |
| ldaho | Immediately (using, delivering, or producing a controlled substance on the property) | §6-303 |
| | 3 days (assigning or subletting with land- lord's consent or causing serious damage to property) | |
| Illinois | 5 days (unlawful use or sale of any con- trolled substance) | 735 §5/9-210, 740 §40/11 |
| | 10 days (failure to abide by any term of the lease) | |
| Indiana | Immediately (if lease, holding over after lease expiration; if no lease, committing waste) | §32-31-1-8 |

| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|---------------|--|------------------------|
| lowa | 3 days (creating a clear and present danger to the health and safety of others within 1,000 feet of rental property) | §562A.27, §562A.27A |
| | 7 days (repeat violation of same lease term within 6 months) | |
| Kansas | 30 days (second similar material violation of lease after first violation corrected) | §58-2564(a) |
| Kentucky | 14 days (repeating the same material viola- tion of lease term within 6 months of being given first notice to cure or quit) | §383.660(1) |
| Louisiana | 5 days (failure to pay rent, using dwelling for purposes other than intended, or upon termination of lease for any reason) | §2686, §4701 |
| Maine | 7 days (tenants at will: violations of law relating to tenancy, substantial damage to the premises, maintaining a nuisance, or causing the dwelling to be unfit for human habitation) | §6002 |
| Maryland | 14 days (see statute but generally breaching lease by behaving in a manner that creates a clear and present danger to tenant and/or others or landlord's property; lease provides for termination for lease violation after 14 days' notice) | §8-402.1(a) |
| | 30 days (see statute but generally any lease violation if lease provides tenancy can terminate; tenant is late paying rent 3 times within 12 months with conditions) | |
| Massachusetts | 14 days (tenant at will: second notice to pay rent or quit within 12 months) | §186, §12 |
| Michigan | 24 hours (manufacture, dealing, or possession of illegal drugs on premises with conditions) | §554.134 |
| | 7 days (failure to pay rent) | |
| | 7 days (willfully or negligently causing a serious and continuing health hazard or damage to the premises) | |
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(continued) Time Permitted for Landlord to Use Unconditional Quit Notice without Permitting Tenant to Pay Past-Due Rent or Cure a Lease Violation

| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| Mississippi | 14 days (repeating the same act, which is a lease violation after notice within 6 months) | §89-8-13 |
| | 30 days (nonremediable violation of lease or obligations imposed by statute) | |
| Missouri | 10 days (using the premises for gambling, prostitution, or possession, sale, or distribution of controlled substances; assigning or subletting without landlord's consent; seriously damaging or violating the lease) | §441.020, §441.030, §441.040 |
| Montana | 3 days (unauthorized pet or person living on premises, destroying or removing any part of the premises, being arrested or charged with drug or gang-related activity) | §70-24-422(1) (e), §70-24-422 |
| | 5 days (repeating the same act, which is a lease violation after notice within 6 months) | |
| | 14 days (any other noncompliance with rental agreement that can't be remedied or repaired) | |
| Nebraska | 14 days (repeating the same act, which is a lease violation after notice within 6 months) | §76-1431(1) |
| Nevada | Immediately (violation of lease term that can't be cured) | §40.2514, §40.2516 |
| | 3 days (assigning or subletting in violation of lease; substantial damage to property; conducting an unlawful business; permitting or creating a nuisance; causing injury and damage to other tenants/occupants or adjacent buildings/structures; or unlawful possession, sale, manufacture, or distribution of illegal drugs) | |
| New Hampshire | 7 days (see statute for full provisions about restricted or nonrestricted properties) | §540:1-a, §540:2, |
| | 30 days (see statute for full provisions but generally applies to nonrestricted property for any reason other than for which 7 days notice can be given) | §540-3 |

| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|----------------|---|--|
| New Jersey | 3 days (see statute but generally for disorderly conduct; willful or gross negligent destruction of landlord's property; assaults upon or threats against landlord; termination of tenant's employment at property; conviction for use, possession, or manufacture of an illegal drug on or adjacent to property; and other causes) | §2A:18-53(c), §2A:19-61.1, §2A:18-61.2(a), §2A:18-61.2(b), §2A:18-61.1 |
| New Mexico | 3 days (substantial violation of lease) 7 days (repeat violation of lease term within 6 months) | §47-8-33(I), §47-8-33(B) & (C) |
| New York | 30 days (holdover of month-to-month tenancy) | Real Prop. Law §232-a |
| North Carolina | Immediately (violation of lease term that is specified in lease as grounds for eviction for noncompliance or holdover of tenancy) | §42-26(a) |
| North Dakota | 3 days (failure to pay rent within 3 days of due date, holding over after lease expira- tion, holding over after sale or any judicial process terminating tenancy, violation of any material term of lease, and using prop- erty in a manner contrary to agreement between tenant and landlord) | §47-32-02 |
| Ohio | 3 days (see statute but generally nonpay- ment of rent; violation of lease or rental agreement; or landlord has reasonable belief that tenant has used, sold, or manu- factured illegal drugs on premises) | §1923.02 to §1923.04; §5321.17 |
| Oklahoma | Immediately (criminal or drug-related activ- ity or repeat violation of lease term) | 41 §132 |
| Oregon | 24 hours (see statute but generally violence or threats of violence by tenant or guest; intentionally causing substantial property damage; giving false information on rental application regarding a criminal conviction; committing any "outrageous in the extreme" act; intentionally or recklessly injuring someone for reasons of the person's race, color, religion, national origin, or sexual orientation; second failure to remove a pet that has caused substantial damage) | §90.396, §90.403 |

(continued) Time Permitted for Landlord to Use Unconditional Quit Notice without Permitting Tenant to Pay Past-Due Rent or Cure a Lease Violation

| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|----------------|---|---|
| Pennsylvania | 10 days (nonpayment of rent) | §250.501(b), |
| | 10 days (any tenancy: first conviction for illegal sale, manufacture, or distribution of an illegal drug; repeated use of an illegal drug; seizure by law enforcement of an illegal drug within the premises) | §250.505-A |
| | 15 days (lease of 1 year or less or lease of unspecified time: violations of the terms of the lease) | |
| | 30 days (lease more than 1 year: violations of the terms of the lease) | |
| Rhode Island | Immediately (see statute but generally any tenant who possesses, uses, or sells illegal drugs; attempts or commits any violent crime; and other terms) | §34-18-24, §34-18-36(f), §34-18-36(e) |
| | 20 days (repeating an act that violates the lease or rental agreement or affects health and safety more than once within 6 months) | |
| South Carolina | Immediately (nonpayment of rent after receiving notice during the tenancy, or allowing illegal activities on property) | §27-40-710 |
| South Dakota | 3 days (nonpayment of rent, holdover after expiration of lease, or substantial damage to property) | §21-16-1, §21-16-2 |
| Tennessee | 14 days (repeating an act that violates the lease or rental agreement or affects the health and safety more than once within 6 months after notice given for first violation) | §66-28-505(a) |
| Texas | 3 days, or lease may specify a shorter or longer time frame (nonpayment of rent or holdover after expiration of lease) | §24.005 |
| Utah | 3 days (holdover after expiration of lease, assigning or subletting without landlord's consent, substantial damage to property, conducting an illegal business on the premises, maintaining a nuisance, or committing a criminal act on the premises) | §78B-6-802 |

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| State | Time Allotment | Statute |
|---------------|---|---------------------------|
| Vermont | 30 days (three notices of nonpayment of rent or late rent within 12 months or any violation of lease term or landlord-tenant law) | §4467 |
| Virginia | Immediately (breach of lease or rental agreement that is a nonremediable, willful, or criminal act and a threat to the health and safety of others) | §55-248.31, §55-248.32 |
| | 30 days (repeated violation of lease) | |
| Washington | 3 days (holdover after expiration of lease, serious damage to property, carrying on an unlawful business, maintaining a nuisance, or gang-related activity) | §59.12.030 |
| West Virginia | Immediately (not specified) | §55-3A-1 |
| Wisconsin | 14 days (month-to-month tenants: failure to pay rent, violation of rental agreement, or substantial damage to property) | §704.17 |
| | 14 days (tenants with lease less than 1 year or year-to-year tenants: failing to pay rent timely, causing substantial damage to property, or violation of lease term more than once within 1 year after notice given for first violation) | |
| | 5 days (all tenants: causing a nuisance on property per law enforcement notice) | |
| Wyoming | 3 days (nonpayment of rent, holdover after expiration of lease, damage to premises, interference with another's enjoyment, denying access to landlord, or violating tenant defined duties in statutes) | §1-21-1002, §1-21-1003 |

Regarding small claims court

| | Small Claims Court Limits by State |
|-------------------------|---|
| State | Limit |
| Alabama | \$3,000 |
| Alaska | \$10,000 |
| Arizona | \$2,500 |
| Arkansas | \$5,000 |
| California | \$10,000 (for individuals only with limit of 2 times per year for claim greater than \$2,500); business entity limit is \$5,000 |
| Colorado | \$7,500 |
| Connecticut | \$5,000 (except for security deposit disputes) |
| Delaware | \$15,000 |
| District of Columbia | \$5,000 |
| Florida | \$5,000 |
| Georgia | \$15,000 (but no limit for eviction cases) |
| Hawaii | \$5,000 (no limit in security deposit dispute cases) |
| Idaho | \$5,000 |
| Illinois | \$10,000 |
| Indiana | \$6,000 |
| lowa | \$5,000 |
| Kansas | \$4,000 |
| Kentucky | \$2,500 |
| Louisiana | \$3,000 (city court), \$5,000 (justice of the peace with no limit for eviction cases) |
| Maine | \$6,000 |
| Maryland | \$5,000 |
| Massachusetts | \$7,000 (with no limit for property damage by motor vehicle) |
| Michigan | \$3,000 |
| Minnesota | \$7,500 (\$4,000 limit for consumer credit transactions; \$15,000 for claims for monetary or personal property subject to criminal forfeiture laws) |
| Mississippi | \$3,500 |
| Missouri | \$5,000 |
| Montana | \$7,000 |

| State | Limit |
|----------------|---|
| Nebraska | \$3,500 (to be adjusted again in 2015 based on consumer price index) |
| Nevada | \$7,500 |
| New Hampshire | \$7,500 |
| New Jersey | \$3,000 (but \$5,000 for security deposit disputes) |
| New Mexico | \$10,000 |
| New York | \$5,000 (but \$3,000 for town and village justice courts) |
| North Carolina | \$5,000 |
| North Dakota | \$10,000 |
| Ohio | \$3,000 |
| Oklahoma | \$6,000 |
| Oregon | \$7,500 |
| Pennsylvania | \$12,000 |
| Rhode Island | \$2,500 |
| South Carolina | \$7,500 |
| South Dakota | \$12,000 |
| Tennessee | \$25,000 (but no limit in evictions or lawsuits to recover personal property) |
| Texas | \$10,000 |
| Utah | \$10,000 |
| Vermont | \$5,000 |
| Virginia | \$5,000 |
| Washington | \$5,000 |
| West Virginia | \$5,000 |
| Wisconsin | \$10,000 (but no limit in evictions) |
| Wyoming | \$6,000 |

Regarding security deposits

Security Deposit Requirements

| States Requiring Secu | States Requiring Security Deposits Held in Separate Account | Separate Account | | | |
|-------------------------------|---|--|--|---------------------------|------------|
| Alaska | Florida ^a | Maine | New Hampshire ^{a, g} North Dakota | North Dakota | Washington |
| Connecticut | Georgia ^{a, b} | $Maryland^{d}$ | New Jersey ^h | 0klahoma | |
| Delaware ^c | lowa | Massachusetts ^e New York ⁱ | New York ⁱ | Pennsylvania ^a | |
| District of Columbia Kentucky | Kentucky | Michigan ^f | North Carolina ^a Tennessee ^c | Tennessee | |
| a Landlord can post bond i | ^a Landlord can post bond in lieu of separate security deposit account. | deposit account. | | | |

^c In writing or orally must disclose location of separate security deposit account.

^d Landlord may hold all security deposits as insured CDs or in federal or state securities.

b Only applies to landlords who own ten or more units (including family) or use a management company and must be placed in a state or federally regu-

e Landlord must, within 30 days of receipt, disclose the amount of security deposit and the name and location of bank and account number where the security deposit is held.

Landlord must place security deposits in a regulated financial institution and may use them as long as cash or surety bond is deposited with the Michigan g Landlord must disclose amount of security deposit, interest rate, and the name and location of bank and account number where the security deposit is Secretary of State.

Landlord must disclose within 30 days (and every time interest is paid) the amount of security deposit, current interest rate, the type of account, and the

Separate bank account not required, but landlord may not commingle with personal assets. Landlords of buildings with six or more rental units must name and location of bank where the security deposit is held. deposit in New York bank.

| Si | tates Requiring l | states Requiring Interest Paid on Security Deposits Held by Landlord | ırity Deposits Hel | d by Landlord | |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-------------------------|---------------------------|-----|
| Connecticut ^f | Ill inois ^b | Massachusetts ⁱ | New Jersey ^d | North Dakota ^m | Vir |
| District of Columbia ⁹ | lowa ^c | Minnesota ^j | New Mexicol | Ohio ⁿ | |

rginia^p

and required, but conditions apply if interest paid on security deposits. Conditions include payment of interest annually and at termination of tenancy and no interest due to tenants if they wrongfully terminate before end of rental term

Pennsylvania^o

New York^e

New Hampshirek

Maryland^h

b Only if landlord owns 25 or more rental units on deposits held over 6 months. Interest rate is minimum paid for savings accounts by the largest commercial bank in state as of 12/31 of prior year. Not required, but (if paid) must be paid at termination of tenancy, although landlord can keep interest earned on security deposit during first five years of

New Jersey financial institution account. If landlord owns ten or more units, he must invest security deposits in an insured money market fund or account d Interest payments may be paid annually or credit given toward rent. If landlord owns fewer than ten units, he may place deposit in an interest-bearing that pays quarterly interest at rate comparable to the money market fund.

Not required if building is nonregulated and contains five or fewer rental units.

Interest payments must be made annually and at termination of tenancy, and interest rate must be average of insured savings deposits but not less than

i Interest payments must be made at termination of tenancy at prevailing statement savings rate.

" Interest payments must be made within 45 days of termination of tenancy at 3% (simple interest) on deposits of \$50 or more, and deposits must be held in Maryland financial institution.

Interest payments must be made yearly or within 30 days of termination of tenancy at 5% or the amount received from a required Massachusetts financial institution.

Interest payments at 1% simple noncompounded interest rate per year but less than \$1 is excluded.

Interest must be paid on security deposits held longer than one year at interest rate paid on regular savings accounts in New Hampshire financial institution where funds held and other terms.

If landlord collects security deposit larger than one month's rent on 12-month lease, he must pay interest on an annual basis at passbook savings rate.

" Landlord must pay interest if the period of occupancy is 9 months or more. Money must be held in interest-bearing insured account for benefit of tenant and paid at termination of lease.

" Any security deposit in excess of the greater of \$50 or one month's rent must bear interest on the excess at 5% per annum if the tenancy is 6 months or more and must be paid annually and at termination of tenancy

e Interest is earned and must be paid on tenancies of 2 or more years with interest beginning to be earned in the 25th month of occupancy. Interest must be oaid at the end of the third year and every subsequent year minus a 1% fee.

Prerest on security deposits to accrue at rate equal to 4% less than Federal Reserve Board discount rate as of January 1 each year and must be paid at ermination of tenancy and other terms.

States That Don't Require Landlords to Pay Interest on Security Deposits

| Alabama | Georgia | Maine | North Carolina | Texas |
|------------|-----------|-------------|----------------|---------------|
| Alaska | Hawaii | Michigan | Oklahoma | Utah |
| Arizona | Idaho | Mississippi | Oregon | Vermont |
| Arkansas | Indiana | Missouri | Rhode Island | Washington |
| California | Kansas | Montana | South Carolina | West Virginia |
| Colorado | Kentucky | Nebraska | South Dakota | Wisconsin |
| Delaware | Louisiana | Nevada | Tennessee | Wyoming |

^a Applicable in non-rent-control areas; check for local requirements under rent control

| Security Deposit Limits by State | |
|----------------------------------|--|
| State | Limit |
| Alabama | 1 month's rent (not including pet deposit, alterations, or tenant activity causing increased risk) |
| Alaska | 2 months' rent (no limit if rent is more than \$2,000 per month) |
| Arizona | 1% months' rent (unless tenant voluntarily agrees to higher deposit) |
| Arkansas | 2 months' rent |
| California | 2 months' rent (unfurnished); 3 months' rent (furnished); add $\frac{1}{2}$ month's rent for water bed |
| Colorado | No maximum |
| Connecticut | 2 months' rent (1 month's rent if tenant is age 62 or older) |
| Delaware | 1 month's rent (1 year or longer lease); no limit (furnished unit or month-to-month); pet deposit up to 1 month's rent |
| District of Columbia | 1 month's rent |
| Florida | No maximum |
| Georgia | No maximum |
| Hawaii | 1 month's rent |
| Idaho | No maximum |
| Ill inois | No maximum |
| Indiana | No maximum |
| lowa | 2 months' rent |
| Kansas | 1 month's rent (unfurnished); 1½ months' rent (furnished); pet deposit up to ½ month's rent |
| Kentucky | No maximum |

| State | Limit |
|----------------|--|
| Louisiana | No maximum |
| Maine | 2 months' rent |
| Maryland | 2 months' rent |
| Massachusetts | 1 month's rent |
| Michigan | 1½ months' rent |
| Minnesota | No maximum |
| Mississippi | No maximum |
| Missouri | 2 months' rent |
| Montana | No maximum |
| Nebraska | 1 month's rent (no pets); 1¼ months' rent (pet) |
| Nevada | 3 months' rent; tenant may use surety bond for all or part if landlord agrees |
| New Hampshire | Greater of 1 month's rent or \$100; no limit if landlord and tenant share facilities |
| New Jersey | 1½ months' rent |
| New Mexico | 1 month's rent (agreement less than 1 year); no limit for lease of 1 year or greater |
| New York | No maximum (for nonregulated rental units) |
| North Carolina | 1½ months' rent for month-to-month; 2 months' rent if lease or longer; additional "reasonable" nonrefundable pet deposit allowed |
| North Dakota | 1 month's rent; greater of 2 months' rent or \$2,500 if tenant has pet |
| Ohio | No maximum |
| Oklahoma | No maximum |
| Oregon | No maximum |
| Pennsylvania | 2 months' rent (first year of tenancy); 1 month's rent thereafter |
| Rhode Island | 1 month's rent |
| South Carolina | No maximum |
| South Dakota | 1 month's rent (can be higher if mutually agreed where special conditions pose a danger to premises' maintenance) |
| Tennessee | No maximum |
| Texas | No maximum |
| Utah | No maximum |
| Vermont | No maximum |
| Virginia | 2 months' rent |

| (continued) Security Deposit Limits by State | |
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| State | Limit |
| Washington | No maximum |
| West Virginia | No maximum |
| Wisconsin | No maximum |
| Wyoming | No maximum |

Deadline to Account for or Itemize Charges and Return of Deposit Balance (if Any) by State

| State | Deadline |
|---|--|
| Alabama §35-9A-401 | 35 days after tenancy termination and delivery of possession |
| Alaska §34.03.070 | 14 days with proper notice; 30 days without proper notice |
| Arizona §33.1321 | 14 days |
| Arkansas Title 18, Chapter 16 (§18-16-303 to §18-16-305) | 630 days |
| California §1950.5, 1940.5(g) | 21 days |
| Colorado §38-12-102 to 38-12-104 | 1 month or lease may state up to 60 days; 72 hours (not counting weekends/holidays) under certain dangerous conditions |
| Connecticut §47a-21 | Later of 15 days from receiving tenant's forwarding address or 30 days |
| Delaware §5514 | 20 days |
| District of Columbia §42- 3502.17; Mun. Regs. Title 14 §308 to §311 | 45 days |
| Florida §83.49, 83.43(12) | 15 to 60 days, depending whether tenant disputes itemized deductions |
| Georgia §44-7-30- to 44-7-37 | 1 month |
| Hawaii §521-44 | 14 days |
| Idaho §6-321 | 21 days; up to 30 days if mutually agreed upon |

| State | Deadline |
|--|---|
| Illinois Ch. 765 para. §710/1, §715/3 | For five or more units, 30 to 45 days, depending on whether tenant disputes itemized deductions or whether statements and receipts provided |
| Indiana §32-31-3-9 to 32-31-3-19 | 45 days |
| Iowa §562A.12 | 30 days |
| Kansas §58-2550, 58-2548 | 30 days |
| Kentucky §383.580 | 30 to 60 days, depending on whether tenant disputes itemized deductions |
| Louisiana §9:3251 | 1 month |
| Maine \$6031 to 6038 | 21 days for tenancy at will; 30 days with written rental contract |
| Maryland §8-203, 8-203.1 | 45 days |
| Massachusetts § Ch. 186 §15B | 30 days |
| Michigan §554.602 to 554.616 | 30 days |
| Minnesota §504B.175, 504B.616 | 3 weeks after vacating and providing forwarding address; 5 days if building is condemned |
| Mississippi §89-8-21 | 45 days |
| Missouri §535.300 | 30 days |
| Montana §70-25-101 to 70-25-206 | 30 days; 10 days if no deductions |
| Nebraska §76-1416 | 14 days |
| Nevada §118A.240 to 118A.250 | 30 days |
| New Hampshire §540-A:5 to §540-A:8, §540-B:10 | 30 days (see statute for shared facilities) |
| New Jersey §46:8-19, 44:8-21, 44:8-26 | 30 days; 5 days if tenant vacates because of fire, flood, condemnation, or evacuation |
| New Mexico §47-8-18 | 30 days |
| New York §7-103 to 7-108 | Reasonable time frame |
| North Carolina §42-50 to 42-56 | 30 days (see statute if more time needed) |
| North Dakota §47-16-07.1 | 30 days |
| Ohio §5321.16 | 30 days |
| Oklahoma §115 | 30 days |

(continued) Deadline to Account for or Itemize Charges and Return of Deposit Balance (if Any) by State

| State | Deadline |
|---------------------------------------|--|
| Oregon §90.300 | 31 days |
| Pennsylvania §250.511a to §250.512 | 30 days |
| Rhode Island §34-18-19 | 20 days |
| South Carolina §27-40-410 | 30 days |
| South Dakota §43.32-6.1, 43-32-24 | Two weeks to return entire deposit or portion and supply reasons for withholding; 45 days if tenant requests itemized accounting |
| Tennessee §66-28-301 | 30 days (damage can only be recovered to the earlier of 7 days after new tenant moves in or 30 days) |
| Texas §92.101 to 92.109 | 30 days |
| Utah §57-17-1 to 57-17-5 | Later of 15 days from receiving tenant's forwarding address or 30 days |
| Vermont §4461 | 14 days (see statute if seasonal rental) |
| Virginia §55-248.15:1 | 45 days |
| Washington §59.18.260 to 59.18.285 | 14 days |
| West Virginia §37-6A-1 et seq. | Lesser of 45 days if rental re-rented or 60 days; add 15 days if repairs exceed security deposit and con- tractor hired |
| Wisconsin §ATCP §134.06 | 21 days |
| Wyoming §1-21-1207, 1-21-1208 | Later of 15 days from receiving tenant's forwarding address or 30 days; add 30 days if rental unit is damaged |

Regarding inspection checklists

| States That Require Inspection Checklist at Commencement of Tenancy | | | |
|---|---------------|---------------|--|
| Arizona | Maryland | New Hampshire | |
| Georgia | Massachusetts | North Dakota | |
| Hawaii | Michigan | Virginia | |
| Kansas | Montana | Washington | |
| Kentucky | Nevada | Wisconsin | |

Note: You can use the Move-In/Move-Out Checklist.

Regarding nonrefundable fees

States That Allow Nonrefundable Fees (Cleaning Deposits, Pet Deposits, and So On):

| Arizona | Utah | |
|---------|---------------|---|
| Florida | Washington | |
| Georgia | West Virginia | _ |
| Nevada | Wyoming | |

Note: Some state courts (such as those in Michigan and Texas) allow landlords and tenants to agree in the contract that certain fees will be nonrefundable.

Regarding carbon monoxide detectors

| States That Have Statutes That Require Carbon Monoxide Detectors | | |
|--|--|--|
| State | Statute | |
| Alaska | Statute §18.70.095 | |
| Arkansas | Code Annotated §4-86-109 | |
| California | Health & Safety Code §13260 to 13263 and §17926 to 17926.2 | |
| Colorado | Revised Statute §38-45-101 to §38-45-106 | |
| Connecticut | General Statute §29-292 | |
| Florida | Statute §553.885 and §509.211 | |
| Georgia | Code Annotated §8-2-20 and §R313.4.1 | |
| Illinois | 430 Compiled Statute §135 | |
| Maine | Revised Statute Annotated title 25, §2468 | |
| Maryland | Code Annotated, Public Safety §12-1101 to §12-1106 and §10-702 | |
| Massachusetts | General Laws Annotated chapter 148, § 26f1/2, 148, § 27A | |
| Michigan | Compiled Laws Annotated §125.1504d and §125.504f | |
| Minnesota | Statute \$299F.50 to \$299F.51 | |
| Montana | Code Annotated §70-24-303 | |
| New Hampshire | Revised Statute Annotated §150:10-a | |
| New Jersey | Statute Annotated \$52:27D-133.3 to \$52:27D-133.5, \$55:13A-7.17, and \$55:13B-6.1 | |
| New York | Executive Law §378 | |

| (continued) States That Have Statutes That Require |
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| Carbon Monoxide Detectors |

| State | Statute |
|----------------|---|
| North Carolina | General Statute §143-138 and §42-42 to 42-44 |
| Oregon | Revised Statute §105.836 to §105.844, §455.360, §90.316, §90.320, and §90-325 |
| Rhode Island | General Laws §23-28.1-2 |
| Texas | Human Resources Code Annotated §42.060 and Health & Safety Code Annotated §766.003 |
| Utah | Administrative Code \$R156-56-802(16), Code Annotated \$10-8-53.5, and Code Annotated \$17-50-327 |
| Vermont | Statute Annotated title 9, §2881 to §2883 and title 20, §2729 |
| Virginia | Code Annotated §55-24B.16 and §55-24B.18 |
| Washington | Revised Code Annotated §19.27.530 |
| West Virginia | Code §29-3-16a |
| Wisconsin | Statute Annotated §101.647 and §101.149 |

Note: More states are expected to pass laws requiring carbon monoxide detectors. You should install them whether it's required or not.

Regarding non-emergency access to unit

Required Notice to Tenants for Landlord Access to Rental Unit in Non-Emergency Situations by State

| State | Notice Time Frame | Statute |
|--------------------------------------|---|--------------------|
| Alabama ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 2 days | §35-9A-303 |
| Alaska ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 24 hours | §34.03.140 |
| Arizona ^{a, b, c, d} | 2 days | §33-1343 |
| Arkansas ^{b, c, d} | No notice specified | §18-17-602 |
| California ^{a, b, c, d} | 24 hours; 48 hours for ini- tial move-out inspection | §1954 |
| Colorado | N/A | No statute |
| Connecticut ^{a, b, c, d, e} | Reasonable notice | §47a-16 to 47a-16a |
| Delaware ^{a, b, c, d} | 2 days | §5509 and §5510 |
| District of Columbia | N/A | No statute |
| Florida ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 12 hours | 83.53 |
| Georgia | N/A | No statute |

| State | Notice Time Frame | Statute |
|---------------------------------------|--|-------------------------------------|
| Hawaii ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 2 days | 521-53 and §521-70(b) |
| Idaho | N/A | No statute |
| Illinois | N/A | No statute |
| Indiana ^{a, b, c, d} | Reasonable notice | §32-31-5-6 |
| lowa ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 24 hours | §562A.19, §562A.28, and §562A.29 |
| Kansas ^{a, b, c, d, e} | Reasonable notice | §58-2557 and §58-2565 |
| Kentucky ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 2 days | §383.615 and §383.670 |
| Louisiana ^c | No notice specified | §2693 |
| Maine a, b, c, d | 24 hours | §6025 |
| Maryland | N/A | No statute |
| Massachusetts ^{a, b, c, d} | No notice specified | §186 and §15B(1)(a) |
| Michigan | N/A | No statute |
| Minnesota ^{a, b, c, d} | Reasonable notice | §504B.211 |
| Mississippi | N/A | No statute |
| Missouri | N/A | No statute |
| Montana ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 24 hours | §70-24-312 |
| Nebraska ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 1 day | §76-1423 |
| Nevada ^{a, b, c, d} | 24 hours | §118A.330 |
| New Hampshire a, b, c, d | Adequate notice | §540-A:3 |
| New Jersey ^{a, b, c, d} | 1 day for inspections and repairs; reasonable notice for all other reasons | §5:10-5.1 |
| New Mexico a, b, c, d, e | 24 hours | §47-8-24 and §47-8-34 |
| New York | N/A | No statute |
| North Carolina | N/A | No statute |
| North Dakota a, b, c, d | Reasonable notice | §47-16-07.3 |
| Ohio ^{a, b, c, d} | 24 hours | §5321.04(A)(8) and §5321.05(B) |
| Oklahoma ^{a, b, c, d} | 1 day | §128 |
| Oregon ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 24 hours | §90.322 |
| Pennsylvania | N/A | No statute |
| Rhode Island ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 2 days | §34-18-26 |
| South Carolina a, b, c, d, e | 24 hours | §27-40-530 |
| South Dakota | N/A | No statute |
| | | |

(continued)

(continued) Required Notice to Tenants for Landlord Access to **Rental Unit in Non-Emergency Situations by State**

| State | Notice Time Frame | Statute |
|------------------------------------|---|-------------------------------|
| Tennessee ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 24 hours (but only for showing rental to pro- spective tenants) | §66-28-403 and §66- 28-507 |
| Texas | N/A | No statute |
| Utah ^{a, c} | 24 hours (unless lease or rental agreement specifies other terms) | §57-22-5(2)(c) |
| Vermont ^{a, b, c, d} | 48 hours | §4460 |
| Virginia ^{a, b, c, d, e} | 24 hours (for routine maintenance only, but no notice required if tenant has requested mainte- nance) | §55-248.18 |
| Washington ^{a, b, c, d} | 2 days (but only 1 day to show rental to actual or prospective buyers or tenants) | §59.18.150 |
| West Virginia | N/A | No statute |
| Wisconsin ^{a, b, c, d} | Advance notice | §704.05(2) |
| Wyoming | N/A | No statute |

^a Statute specifically or generally indicates that landlords or their agents may enter the rental unit (or exterior premises portion of the rental, if any) in case of an emergency.

Note: Be sure to review carefully and become fully versed in the details of the relevant statutes about the rights of landlords or their agents to enter the rental premises, including the acceptable reasons and conditions and the type and delivery method of the advance notice required to be given to the

^b Statute specifically or generally indicates that landlords or their agents may enter the rental unit (or exterior premises portion of the rental, if any) for inspection of the premises. (Note: This may be only for a limited purpose, such as testing of smoke or carbon monoxide detectors or for pre-moveout inspections, or it may be a broad life/safety or general property condition inspection.)

^c Statute specifically or generally indicates that landlords or their agents may enter the rental unit (or exterior premises portion of the rental, if any) to make (usually mutually agreed upon) repairs, alterations, or improvements.

^d Statute specifically or generally indicates that landlords or their agents may enter the rental unit (or exterior premises portion of the rental, if any) to show prospective tenants or buyers (often also includes lenders).

e Statute specifically or generally indicates that landlords or their agents may enter the rental unit (or exterior premises portion of the rental, if any) to check on the property's condition during an extended absence of the tenant (check statute for definition of "extended absence," if any).

tenant, if any. The preceding footnotes give additional information, but the actual statute applies, as there are often many unusual or unanticipated reasons where potential entry into the rental unit may be needed or requested. Even in entry for emergencies, an attempt should be made before or soon thereafter the attempted or actual entry as possible. Tenants are rightfully and reasonably concerned about any such entry, so take all necessary steps to minimize entry whenever possible, but then fully document each situation.