RENTAL UNIT CHECKLIST

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| | Ensure lease signed by tenant | Always | |
| | Ensure lease signed by landlord | Always | |
| | Complete NLHS (Eastern Urban) rental assistance application | If client required additional income for rent and client meets NLHS (Eastern Urban) program requirements | Must be signed by client. Must include signed Intent to Rent/Lease and landlord direct deposit banking information for application to be considered complete. However, applications can be submitted before unit is secured to ensure paperwork is filed properly, and Intent to Rent/Lease can be submitted when received. Rental assistance will be backdated to when a completed application was submitted |
| | File landlord banking information with Income Support (direct deposit form from bank or void cheque) | If client is in receipt of Income Support benefits | |
| | File landlord banking information with NLHS (Eastern Urban) (direct deposit form from bank or void cheque) | If client has applied for NLHS (Eastern Urban) rental assistance, (if previously not provided with application) | |
| | File landlord banking information with NLHC (direct deposit form from bank or void cheque) | If client has been approved for CA- HB-NL (CHB) | |
| | File tenant "Direction to Pay" form and lease agreement with NLHC | If client has been approved for CA- HB-NL (CHB) | |
| | Ensure rental payments are secured (see above) | As required from NLHS (Eastern Urban), Income Support and NLHC | Ensure that NLHS (Eastern Urban)/Income Support/NLHC case file numbers are noted by agency |
| | Apply for Security Deposit through Income Support (via email request) | If client is in receipt of Income Support benefits and does not have the funds to pay for Security Deposit | This will be placed as an overpayment on the client's Income Support account |

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| | Ensure Security Deposit is paid to landlord | See above | |
| | Request a Supported Referral from EHSJ (via email at ca@wecanendit.com) | If client has no other means to pay for related expenses (Security Deposit balance, etc.) | Once approved, agency will pay the amount directly to landlord/payee and submit a claim form to EHSJ. Ensure receipt of payment is obtained |
| | Ensure landlord provides key(s) or door codes | Always | |
| | Ensure client receives key(s) or door codes on move-in day | Always | |
| | Ensure moving truck is arranged for client's belongings | Note that Income Support provides \$175 in moving expenses annually | Higher amounts may be approved in certain circumstances (any balance can be requested through Supported Referrals) |
| | Complete application for Home Again Furniture Bank | As required | Delivery takes approximately 3-4 months |
| | Ensure Newfoundland Power account is placed in the tenant's name for new address | As required | Not required when unit has utilities included. Also, please ensure that any previous Newfoundland Power accounts owned by the tenant are closed |
| | Ensure tenant insurance is secured | As required | Required by some landlords |
| | Ensure tenant mailing address is changed and registered with Canada Post | As required | Ensure that tenant gets mailbox key from landlord for community mailboxes |
| | Request bus pass from Income Support | As required | |
| | Request one-time grocery emergency check from Income Support | If coming from shelter or couchsurfing situation | |
| | Schedule follow-up home visit with client | Always | Within one week |