

Terminology

Here are some of the common terms that are used in housing.

- x 1-, 2- or 3-bedroom apartments- They have 1, 2 or 3 separate bedrooms, with separate bathroom, living, and kitchen space.
- x Condo is used to refer to buildings or rooms where people live or stay.
- x Bachelor- Bachelor apartments are ideal for one person. Also known as studio apartments.
- x Basements Apartments that are below ground level.
- x Damage/Security Deposit A damage deposit is also known as a security deposit. It is the amount of money paid to a landlord when you move into a new rental space. Upon ending your rental lease, property owners may keep this amount if there is damage to the property. Otherwise they must return your deposit.
- x Grocery store A place where you can buy food and other household items.
- x Ground Level These apartments are on the street level, not in a basement or on a second or higher story.
- x Moving in and moving out of a rental space. These should occur with the property owner present or recorded if the property owner cannot be present.
- x Roommate- a person who you share an apartment or house with
- x Short Term housing Temporary furnished rental, including hotels, Airbnb, etc.
- x Tenant- a person who leases or rents a premise from a property owner. The premises can be a room, apartment, or house.
- x Tenants' insurance- Also known as rental insurance, is a type of home insurance that protects those who do not own their home but rather rent it. Without tenant insurance

