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Landlord/Tenant Research Guide

GENERALLY: Landlord / Tenant law can be researched through numerous sources in the library including NOLO books, internet websites, Oregon Statutes, and many other sources.

In addition, Legal Aid may be of assistance if you are a tenant involved in an eviction matter.

Landlord/Tenant law includes many relevant statutes, which can be found in the center of our Oregon Collection. Some eviction forms for landlords can be obtained from the courthouse. Many of the books below contain examples of notices or how to communicate between landlords and tenants regarding the issues that arise like habitability or maintenance.

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SUGGESTED RESOURCES:

BOOKS:

Landlord/Tenant Rights in Oregon, by Janay Ann Haas: **KFO 2517 .Z9 .M37 2004 RES**. This book contains a very good overview of the law of Oregon on landlords and tenants but be sure to review the Oregon Statutes as it was published some time ago.

Every Landlord's Legal Guide: by Marcia Stewart, Ralph Warner, & Janet Portman. Located on reserve at the Lane County Law Library: **KF 590 .Z9 S74 2008**. Written by NOLO, so not geared towards Oregon law, but a thorough guide.

Every Tenant's Legal Guide, by Janet Portman & Marcia Stewart, 2009: **KF 590 .Z9 P67 2009**. On reserve at the Law Library. Written by NOLO, so not geared towards Oregon law, but a thorough guide.

American Law of Landlord and Tenant, by Robert S. Schoshinski: **KF 589 .S34**

Leases and Rental Agreements, by Marcia Stewart: **KF 590.Z9 S744 2004**

Renter's Rights: The Basics, by Janet Portman & Marcia Stewart, 2009: **KF 590 .Z9 P673 2009**

OTHER PRINT ITEMS:

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Oregon Revised Statutes center of the Oregon Collection or online at
https://www.oregonlegislature.gov/bills_laws/Pages/ORS.aspx

The library catalog may direct you to other helpful resources related to Landlord/Tenant matters(see search terms below):

<http://www.libraryworld.net/cgi-bin/opac.pl?command=signin&libraryname=lanecountylib&guest=allow>

WEBSITES AND OTHER RESOURCES:

Oregon State Bar

The Oregon State Bar has put together a list of helpful resources for members of the public.

<http://www.osbar.org/public/legalinfo/tenant.html>

Legal Aid Services of Oregon is a non-profit agency that provides “free legal information for low-income Oregonians.”

<http://www.oregonlawhelp.com/OR/index.cfm> (Click on “Housing” for more information.)

Lane County Legal Aid - Legal Aid Services of Oregon also maintains a local office in Eugene which assists low income persons in Lane County. However, this office only offers assistance to tenants, not landlords.

www.lclac.org

Lane County Circuit Court has additional information on Landlord/Tenant issues

<http://courts.oregon.gov/Lane/CivilandLandlord/Landlord.page?>

SUGGESTED SEARCH TERMS: landlord, tenant, lease, rent, withholding rent, habitability, holdover, repairs, 72 hour notice, eviction, FED.

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