

In order to establish reasonable health and safety levels for local residential rental units, the City of Fairmont implemented a simple and cost efficientRental Housing Ordinance in 2013. 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 Ordinance 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
- ☐ Reducing environmental hazards to health; and
- ☐ Assisting landlords and tenants in dealing with rental issues

#### Frequently Asked Questions:

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

A list of registered and licensed rentals may be picked up at Fairmont's City Hall or beviewed online at <a href="https://www.fairmont.org">www.fairmont.org</a>.

## What information can I find on the rental property list?

The list provides license number, number of bedrooms, rental range, if students are allowed, if pets are allowed, and a contact name and phone 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 full text of the Ordinance, and other information, can be found on the City's web site <a href="https://www.fairmont.org">www.fairmont.org</a>.

## What issues are covered under the Rental Housing Ordinance?

Basic health and safety concerns are covered by the Rental Housing Ordinance.

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

The rental license for the unit will be located inside the cupboard door under the kitchen sink or in the common area of a multi-unit complex. A list of licensed rentals is available upon request from City Hall, or the marketing list may be viewed at <a href="https://www.fairmont.org">www.fairmont.org</a>.

#### What can I do if the licensed property does not appear to meet minimum safety standards; or I have concerns about the property condition?

If you have concerns, please contact City Hall.

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

Yes. As a tenant, it is your responsibility to maintain your rental unit in a reasonably safe and sanitary condition and abide by all the provisions of the ordinance.

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

If you have informed the landlord about the issue and sent a written notice to the landlord but the issue has not been resolved in a timely manner, please bring a copy of your written notice to City Hall for the purpose of filling out a complaint form.



City of Fairmont Rental Housing Questions & Answers

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