

# Edinburgh Mid-Market Rent Application form and guidance

# Please complete and return to:

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# Guidance

### About this Application form:

You need to complete this application form to register your interest in a Mid-Market Rent Property and to provide the information on your circumstances that enables us to assess whether you qualify for a mid-market property.

Should you require assistance to complete this form, please contact Home Scotland on 0345 141 4663 or email **scotland@homegroup.org.uk**.

Please return your completed application as soon as possible to the address on the front of the form.

# **About Mid-Market Rent**

Mid-Market Rent housing is designed to assist households that are unlikely to be successfully housed by the Council or a Housing Association/Co-operative due to the pressure on housing supply.

Mid-Market rent is a form of affordable housing, although rents are higher than what a tenant would normally expect to pay in social housing.

As a tenant you normally get a Private Residential Tenancy (PRT), which is the same type of lease as most tenants get when they rent privately.

The Local Housing Authority's Housing Strategy clearly defines the important role Mid-Market Rent housing performs in addressing housing need throughout the city and this tenure forms an integral element of the council's affordable housing policy.

### Assessment

Preference in the allocation of either Mid-Market Rent housing will be given to:

- First time buyers
- Those living in private rented housing
- Those living with family, friends or relatives
- Those lacking security of tenure in their current home.
- Owners of properties where a change of circumstances (e.g. health or relationship breakdown) is forcing or requiring a move
- Those either currently occupying or holding positions on waiting lists in respect of Council or Housing Association property.

In general, applicants applying and being considered for Mid-Market Rent will be considered subject to meeting a combination of the following criteria:

- Applicants should have sufficient income enabling them to pay rent or occupancy charges
- Applicants should normally have a regular income.
- Applicants should normally be individuals or households with gross incomes of between £24,000 and £50,500 per annum (Subject to Change)
- Applicants without regular income but who have access to other funds will also be considered.
- The rent cannot exceed 35% of the gross household income
- Applicants must have had no bankruptcy/CCJ's/IVA's or trust deeds

### What happens next?

On receipt of your completed application, Customer Service Staff from Home Scotland will assess your application in accordance with the above criteria. If you meet the necessary requirements and are being considered for the property a member of staff from the Home Scotland will contact you to confirm your details and verify the information you have provided on the form.

Please do not send any evidence with your application, Home Scotland staff will ask for this when required.

# About you

Question 1 - Your details		
	First applicant	Joint applicant
Title	Mr Mrs Ms Miss	Mr Mrs Ms Miss
Surname		
First name(s)		
Current Address (Inc Post Code):		
Previous Surname (If any)		
Date of Birth		
National Insurance Number		
Relationship to you		
Surname First name(s) Current Address (Inc Post Code): Previous Surname (If any) Date of Birth National Insurance Number		

# We can often provide you with a quicker service if we have all your main contact details.

	First applicant	Joint applicant	
Home phone number			
Work phone number			
Mobile number			
Email address			

Who owns your current home?	
First applicant	
Parent	Building Society
Private Landlord	Lodger
Owner Occupier	Tenant in Tied Accommodation
Housing Association or Local Authority	Other (Please tell us)
Joint applicant	
Parent	Building Society
Private Landlord	Lodger
Owner Occupier	Tenant in Tied Accommodation
Housing Association or Local Authority	Other (Please tell us)

### If you rent your property please provide details for your current Landlord:

First	applicant	Joint applicant
Landlord:		
Address:		
Tel:		
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	First applicant	Joint applicant
Previous address		
(Inc Post Code):		
Landlord:		
Address:		
Tel:		
Date of tenancy:		
Reason for leaving:		
	First applicant	Joint applicant
Previous address		
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	First applicant	Joint applicant
Previous address		
(Inc Post Code):		
Landlord:		
Address:		
Tel:		
Date of tenancy:		
Reason for leaving:		

Are you a member of the armed forces or a veteran who has left the forces in the last year or widow/widower/ other partner of service personnel killed in action in the last year?

# About your household

### Question 2 - Please tell us who will be moving with you

### Please give details of all other persons you wish to share your home with:

Surname	First name	Are they male (M) or female (F)?	Date of birth	Their relationship to you
1		M F Prefer not to say	/ /	
2		M F Prefer not to say	/ /	
3		M F Prefer not to say	/ /	
4		M F Prefer not to say	/ /	
5		M F Prefer not to say	/ /	
Why are you seeking accommodation?				
Do you have any Pets? Yes No				
(Please note: In some properties we operate a no pets policy)				
If 'YES' supply details & complete attached Pet Permission Form:				
Deposit (joint tenancy) - Please name the lead tenant				

# **Your Housing Requirements**

### Housing Eligibility Criteria

Applicants may be entitled to more than the minimum depending on circumstances, the age and gender of any children and the availability of empty properties. This is a guideline only as variations may occur

Household Members	Number of Bedrooms
Single person/couple	Bedsit or 1 bedroom
Two adults who are not a couple	2 bedrooms
Couple/single parent with one or two children aged under 10	2 bedrooms
Couple/single parent with up to four children aged under 10	3 bedrooms
Couple/single parent with up to four children, and at least one who is 10 years or over	2 - 4 bedrooms depending on age and gender of children
Couple/single parent with three adult dependants	4 bedrooms
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# Your financial and work status

Question 3 - Employment details				
	First applicant	Joint applicant		
	Full time 🔄 part time 📃	Full time 🔄 part time 📃		
Employer:				
Job Title:				
Employer's address:				
Tel no:				
Gross annual salary	£	£		
Any other income	£	£		
Total monthly outgoings?	£	£		
Rent, Council Tax, Loans, store/credit cards/ maintenance payments	£	£		
Capital savings	f	£		

### Previous employment (please provide details for the previous 3 years. Continue on a separate sheet if necessary)

	First applicant	Joint applicant
Employer:		
Job Title:		
Employer's address:		
Dates employed		
Employer:		
Job Title:		
Employer's address:		
Dates employed		

First applicant		
l do not receive any	Carer's Allowance	
Universal Credit	Personal Independence Payment	
Job Seekers Allowance	Disability Living Allowance	
Income Support	State Pension	
Employment & Support Allowance	Pension Credit	
Incapacity Benefit	Attendance Allowance	
Child Benefit	Housing Benefit	
Child Tax Credit	Council Tax Credit	
Working Tax Credit		
Joint applicant		
I do not receive any	Carer's Allowance	
Universal Credit	Personal Independence Payment	
Job Seekers Allowance	Disability Living Allowance	
Income Support	State Pension	
Employment & Support Allowance	Pension Credit	
Incapacity Benefit	Attendance Allowance	
Child Benefit	Housing Benefit	
Child Tax Credit	Council Tax Credit	
Working Tax Credit		_

I/We hereby agree to provide the Organisation with three recent payslips and current bank statements, if required, for the assessment of my application.

### **Applicant's signature**

Signature	
Print name	Date

### Joint applicant's signature

Signature	
 Print name	Date

Please do not send any evidence with your application, we will ask for this when required.

### **Bank & Landlord References**

We reserve the right to take up bank and landlord references for any applicant being considered for a mid rent or shared ownership property.

### Additional Information - Please include other relevant information

# Declaration

Question 5 - Immigration status	
Did you or any of the persons applying with you come into the UK during the last five years?	Yes No
Are you or any of the persons applying with you subject to any immigration controls?	Yes 📃 No 📃
Are you or the persons applying with you Asylum Seekers?	Yes 📄 No 📄
If 'Yes' to any of the above, please give details below	

# Question 6 - Relationship to Home Group

Have you or the joint applicant, currently or in the past 12 months been				
Employed by Home Group?	Yes 🗌 No 🗌			
Involved in customer activities?	Yes 📃 No 📃			
A board member of Home Group?	Yes 🗌 No 🗌			
If 'Yes' to any of the above, please give details below				

I/we declare that the information supplied by me/us in this application is correct.

I/we understand that supplying false or misleading information or deliberately withholding relevant information may result in the cancellation of my/our application.

### **Applicant's signature**

Signature	
Print name	Date

### Joint applicant's signature

Signature	
Print name	Date

I /we hereby give permission for the organisation to approach my/our current employer and my/our bank for confirmation of income details.

### **Applicant's signature**

Signature	
Print name	Date

### Joint applicant's signature

Signature	
 Print name	Date

The organisation may approach your present or former landlord(s) to enquire if your tenancy has been satisfactorily conducted. Your permission is requested so that information about your tenancy may be disclosed to the organisation to comply with the Data Protection Act.

Applicant's signature Joint applicant's signature			
Signature		Signature	
Print name	Date	Print name	Date

#### Data protection and equality:

All information provided in connection with this application will be treated as confidential in accordance with our Confidentiality Policy. We also comply with the requirements of the Data Protection Act 1998.

We will assess all applications, regardless of age, gender, race, colour, ethnic/national origin, religion, marital status, family circumstance, political or sexual orientation, medical condition or disability. We will comply with the requirements or the Race Relations Act 1976, the Sex Discrimination Act 1975 and the Disability Discrimination Act 1995.

You can find our full Privacy Policy on our website using the following link: www.homegroup.org.uk/Privacy-Policy. If you require a copy of our Privacy Policy or this leaflet in another format or language please contact us on 0345 141 4663