

Mutual exchange application form

BOTH YOU AND YOUR MUTUAL EXCHANGE PARTNER NEED TO COMPLETE A SEPARATE FORM.

We will approve or refuse the request to exchange within a maximum 42 days. However we will always aim to do this in less time and to complete the exchange process as quickly as possible. Please ensure you have read the Information for Applicants prior to completing the following application form to ensure you are eligible to be considered for a mutual exchange.

Your details	
Title	Mr Mrs Ms Miss Other
First name(s)	
Surname	
Present address and postcode	
Please also giv	e us details of the tenant you would like to exchange homes with
Title	Mr Mrs Ms Miss Other
First name(s)	
Surname	
Present address and postcode	

About you

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OR other title Date of birth First name(s) Surname Date of birth National Insurance Number We can often provide you a quicker service if we have all of all your main contact details Home phone number Work phone number Mobile phone number Email address Current landlord/tenancy details Landlord name Address and postcode Phone number Tenancy type Tenancy type Tenancy start date Do you have a starter, fixed term or flexible tenancy?		You		
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	Tenancy start date			

Question 2 - Anyone who supports you If you currently have a support worker, family member, friend or carer who helps you and you would like them to help you in future when we contact you, please give us their name and contact details (including their phone number). Please ask their permission before giving us their details. Title Mr Mrs Ms Miss First name Surname Address and postcode Home phone number Mobile phone number (e.g. your son, support worker or friend) Relationship to you What type of support do they give you? **About your household** Question 3 - Please tell us who will be moving with you Please list all members of your household who are LIVING WITH YOU NOW and who WILL CONTINUE TO LIVE WITH YOU when you are rehoused. First name Last name Gender Date of birth Their relationship to you 1 Female Male 2 Male Female 3 Male Female 4 Male Female 5 Male Female 6 Male Female 7 Male Female For all children under 16, who is the child benefit paid to? Is this the main residence for all children listed? No Yes

First name	Last name	Gender		Date of birth	Their relationship to yo
1		Male	Female	/ /	
2		Male	Female	/ /	
3		Male	Female	/ /	
4		Male	Female	/ /	
5		Male	Female	/ /	
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Tenancy details			
Has your landlord served	a notice of proceedir	nas on vou?	Yes No
If 'Yes' when		What for	
Has your landlord obtain	ned a Court Order aga	inst you?	Yes No
If 'Yes' when		What for	
Getting in touch			
Question 5 - Preferred	contact		
		contact you by phone or lett	
you would prefer to be c		tional way. Please tick all the	
	You Joint tenant		You Joint tenant
Email		Textphone	
Text message		British Sign Language	(BSL)
Home visit		Other (please tell us b	elow)
Question 6 - Giving you	u information		
7 .	-	by phone or letter. What ad	ditional ways would
you like to receive inforn	loint	I the boxes that apply.	Joint
	You tenant		You tenant
Email		Large-print letter	
		Large print letter	
Text message		Audio	
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More about you

In this section we ask for personal information that you may find sensitive. You can refuse to answer any particular question, but we would be grateful if you could answer as many questions as you can.

Question 8 - How would you describe your ethnic background? How would you describe your ethnic background? Joint Joint You You tenant tenant White British Other (please tell us below) Irish Scottish Mixed race White and black White and Asian Caribbean Other mixed White and background black African (please tell us below) Asian or Indian Bangladeshi **Asian British** Other Pakistani (please tell us below) Asian Scottish **Black or** Caribbean Other (please tell us below) **Black British** African **Black Scottish** Chinese or other Chinese Other (please tell us below) ethnic group **Gypsy or traveller Prefer not to say**

Question 9 - Nationality			
UK national, resident in UK Estonia Lithuania Slovenia Other European Economic Area (EEA) Country UK national returning from residence overseas Hungary		Poland Bulgaria Czech republic Latvia Slovakia Romania Any other Country Prefer not to say	You Joint tenant
Question 10 - Religion			
What is your religion? Christian Buddhist Hindu Jewish Muslim Sikh	You Joint tenant	Prefer not to say I don't have a religion Other (please tell us below)	You Joint tenant
Do you or anyone living wi	th you have any	you or your household have needs that you would like us to be our office e.g. cultural needs?	aware of when

Question 12 - Gender Identity	y & Sexual orienta	tion	
Is your gender identity the same Yes No Prefer not to sa If 'No' please state opposite who	ay 🗌	Trans Woman	You Joint tenant
Trans Woman or Trans Man?		Trans Man	
If No please state your current grown binary", "Genderfluid	gender identity" wi	th additional options for "	Other",
	You Joint tenant		You Joint tenant
Bisexual		Heterosexual (straight)	
Gay man		Prefer not to say	
Lesbian			
Question 13 - Disabilities			
Do you or anyone who will be lito have a disability? Disability		der themselves Ye	
Uses a wheelchair			
Has problems getting around busea wheelchair	out does not		
Is blind or has sight problems			
Is deaf or has hearing problems	5		
Cannot speak or has a difficulty	with speech		
Has a learning difficulty			
Has mental-health problems			
Long-term health problems			
Prefer not to say			
Has a disability not mentioned	above		
If any of the above contributes t details below)		rish to be re-housed (pleas	se provide

Question 14 - Adaptations		
Do you require any special ada	aptations to your pro	operty? Yes No
Walk-in shower	Ramps	24-hour emergency
Grab rails	Door-entry system	n call system
Lever taps	Stairlift	Other (please tell us below)
Question 15 - Why do you w	rish to mutually ex	change your home?
Question 15 - Why do you well Please tick the main reason you		
Please tick the main reason yo	ou wish to exchange	
Please tick the main reason you Property too small Property too large/under- Property unsuitable beca	occupying	To move nearer to family/friends
Please tick the main reason your property too small Property too large/under-	occupying	To move nearer to family/friends To move nearer to work/school

Your housing requirements

When considering an application for mutual exchange we use Home Group's room requirement criteria. Applicants may be entitled to more than the minimum depending on circumstances, the age and gender of any children. 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 whom is 10 years or over	2 to 4 bedrooms depending on age and gender of children
Couple/single parent with three adult dependants	4 bedrooms

- 'Adult' refers to anyone aged 16 or over
- Households with a medical requirement for level access will be given priority for ground floor flats and bungalows, where they are available.

Eligibility for spare bedrooms - a separate bedroom is considered necessary for:

- Every adult couple (married/civil partnership or unmarried)
- Any adult aged 16 or over who lives with you
- Any two children of the same sex aged under 16
- Any two children aged under 10
- A child with severe disabilities who is unable to share a bedroom
- Any other child
- An approved foster carer to use for placements (subject to meeting the DWP rules)
- A carer (or team of carers) who does not live with the applicant but provides the applicant or their partner with overnight care.

NOTE: Children whose main residence is elsewhere are not eligible for a bedroom.

Your financial and work status

Question 16 - You and the	joint tenant's w	ork status	
Please tick the box that you think is most relevant. Works full-time Works part-time Is self-employed Is on government-supported training Is unemployed Is retired from work You Name and address of employed		Is in full-time education at school, college or university Is looking after family or the home Is permanently sick or disabled Is doing something else Prefer not to say Joint tenant Name and add	
Question 17 - Which of the with you) receive? Please tick as many boxes as apply.	following bene	fits do you (and your part	ner if they live You Joint tenant
I DO NOT receive any benefits Universal Credit Job Seekers Allowance Income Support Employment and Support Allowance Incapacity Benefit Child Benefit Child Tax Credit Working Tax Credit		Carer's Allowance Personal Independence Payment Disability Living Allowance State Pension Pension Credit Attendance Allowance Housing Benefit Council Tax Reduction Prefer not to say	
Question 18 - Do you have You Joint tenant Yes	Vou Jo	pint nant Prefer not to sa	You Joint tenant

Declaration

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
Question 20 - Relationship to Home Group	
Have you or the joint applicant, currently or in the past 12 months been:	
Have you or the joint applicant, currently or in the past 12 months been: employed by Home Group?	Yes No
employed by Home Group?	Yes No
 employed by Home Group? involved in customer and client activities? 	
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Information for applicants

Process

Once we have received an application form, a reference will be requested from the other landlord (if applicable) and we will carry out a home visit. The home visit is to ensure all the details on the form are correct and to check the condition of your property before we can approve your exchange. Mutual exchanges are intended to be a voluntary arrangement between tenants, each accepting the accommodation they are moving into in the condition that its is left in by the outgoing tenant. This includes accepting responsibility for tenant's improvements and or/alterations.

The home visit will always be at your current address. We will aim to contact you within 7 working days of the home visit to discuss if the exchange can go ahead or whether certain works need to be carried out before you exchange.

Home Group will not accept responsibility for any environmental health issues, repairing damage, waste disrepair or poor decorative condition except where this is clearly the landlord's responsibility and where the fault is not the consequence of abuse or misuse.

Things to consider

- You can exchange with most other Home Group tenants, or a tenant(s) of another social landlord including local authorities.
- · Applications can only be made by the tenant(s) as only tenants can exchange.
- No exchange can take place without prior written consent from Home Group and the other landlord (if applicable).
- You may be required to repair any defect which has been caused by alterations damage or neglect.
- You should remember that fixtures and fittings such as kitchen units, electric dimmer switches, shower units and gas fires are part of the property and must be retained in the property, even if you fitted them yourself.
- If you have a garage and/or shed you should agree to leave all keys to the incoming tenant.
- · You should also remember to dispose of any unwanted effects or rubbish from the property garages/sheds and gardens.
- · You should also be aware that pets are only permitted with permission from Home Group.
- Depending on the type of tenancies you and your exchange partner have, you may lose security of tenure or benefits of your current tenancy by exchanging your home. In some cases, you take on the same terms as the tenant you are exchanging with. If for example you have the right to buy or preserved right to buy, you may lose these rights. In other cases, you will be given a new tenancy which is equivalent of the one you currently have. Whether you swap tenancies or have a new tenancy depends on who you swap with and what type of tenancy they have, as well as the type of tenancy you have. Please contact Home Group or your landlord (if it is not Home Groupfor more information on how this will work.

Viewing the proposed exchange property - what to look for

When viewing the proposed exchange property please consider the following points and confirm with the outgoing tenant what they are leaving including sheds, garage, as part of their tenancy.

- What kind of heating is there?
- · Has the garden been maintained?
- The decorative condition of the property has there been any alterations by the tenant which willbecome your responsibility.
- Is there allocated parking?
- Is there a garage or shed with the property?

- What do they cook with (gas/electric)?
- · Will your cooker, fridge-freezer, washing machine etc. fit in these spaces?
- · Are there enough electrical sockets?
- · Will your furniture fit into the rooms?
- · Are there any washing machine or dishwasher points?
- · Is the outgoing tenant leaving carpets behind?
- · What type of tenancy agreement do they have?
- · How much is the rent?
- Are there any service charges for the property?

Reasons for refusal

Permission for an exchange will usually be granted however it may not be given if any of the tenants who wish to exchange:

- · Are subject to an order of the court for the possession of their tenancy.
- Face legal action for possession of their tenancy, or have been served with a notice of proceedings of possession and it is still in force.
- Has an application pending before any court for an order in relation to anti-social behaviour, demotion of their tenancy in relation to them or a person living with them.
- Has a property adapted for a person with special needs and nobody in the new tenant's household has special needs.
- · Would have a home that is much larger than their household needs.
- · Would have a home that is too small for their household needs.
- Is living in a property that is in a building that's not used for housing purposes and was let to the tenant or their predecessor as part of their job.

This list is not exhaustive and is intended to give applicants an indication of the main reasons for refusal. We will consider each application carefully and give full consideration to the applicants' circumstances.

Tenants who have housing related debts to Home Group will be required to repay all money owed before the exchange can take place.

Right to appeal

If you are unhappy with a decision we make, you have the right to appeal that decision. You can appeal against the decision made but not the policy itself.

If you have either given or accepted any money in order to exchange, Home Group may take legal action to gain possession of the property.

When undertaking a mutual exchange you take the property you are moving to in its present condition. If there is any damage in the property to which you are moving which is the tenant's responsibility, you should be aware that this will become your responsibility if not remedied.

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Informed consent

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Both you and your exchange partner (or partners, if you're part of a chain of exchanges) will need to fill out a mutual exchange application form each. This form must be completed and then scanned and returned via email to contactus@homegroup.org.uk. If you can't do this, please call us on 0345 141 4663 so that we can put you in touch with your housing manager. They will be able to advise on an alternate option to get the form to us. You may also need to fill out application forms for any other landlords involved.

Translation service

If you need help to complete this form, or need any part of it to be translated or in another format, please contact your local office. Please let us know if you would like an audio or large print version of this document.

Arabic	اذا رخبت بأن تحصل على كامل محتويات هذه الوثيقة او احد أجزاء هذه الوثيقة مترجماً برابل أو على هينة صوبية أو مطبوعاً بالخط الكبير ، فيرجى الاتصال مع مركز خدمة ال 0345 141 4663.	Tamil	இந்த ஆவணத்தின் எந்த ஒரு பகுதியை மட்டுமோ அல்லது முழு ஆவணத்தையோ, உங்களுக்கு மொழிபெயர்த்தோ, பிரெய்ல் எழுத்து வடிவிலோ, ஒலி வடிவிலோ அல்லது பெரிய எழுத்து பிரசுரித்தல் செய்தோ தரவேண்டுமென நினைத்தால், தயவு செய்து வாடிக்கையாளர் சேவை மையத்தை 0345 141 4663 என்ற எண்ணில் தொடர்பு கொள்ளுங்கள்.
Chinese	您如果需要将本文件或者其中的一部分进行翻译, 或者需要以自文、声音、或者大号印刷体的形式显示, 请您联系我们的'顾客服务中心',电话号码是 0345 141 4663。	Portuguese	Se desejar que este documento ou qualquer parte do mesmo seja traduzido, ou em Braille, áudio ou letras grandes, entre em contacto com o nosso Centro de Atendimento ao Cliente através do número 0345 141 4663.
Polish	Jeśli chciał(a)by Pan(i) uzyskać tłumaczenie tego dokumentu lub dowolnej jego części, czy też otrzymać jego wersję alfabetem Braille'a, audio lub dużym drukiem, prosimy o kontakt z naszym Centrum Obsługi Klienta (Customer Service Centre) pod numerem tel. 0345 141 4663.	Welsh	Os hoffech chi i'r ddogfen hon neu unrhyw ran ohoni gael ei chyfieithu, neu os oes arnoch ei hangen mewn braille, sain, neu brint fawr, cysylltwch â'n Canolfan Gwasanaethau i Gwsmeriaid ar 0345 141 4663.
Russian	Если вы хотели бы получить полный или частичный перевод этого документа, или он нужен вам шрифтом Брайля, в аудиоформате или крупным шрифтом, пожалуйста, свяжитесь с нашим Центром клиентского обслуживания по телефону 0345 141 4663.	Urdu	اگرآپ اس دستاویزکا یا اس کےکسی حصےکا ترجمہ چاہتےہیں، یا اگریہ آپ کوبریل، چاہیےتو 141 4663 پرہمارےکسٹمرسروس سنٹرسےرابطہ کریں۔

Data Protection:

In order to help us deliver efficient services and to manage your relationship with us, we need to collect relevant personal details from you. We comply with the General Data Protection Regulation and Data Protection Act 2018 when dealing with personal data. This means that your personal data will be processed in accordance with the law.

Please note in some circumstances we may share your personal data with external third parties. For more information on how we process your personal data, including on data security, data retention and lawful processing bases, please access our full privacy notice at: www. homegroup.org.uk/Privacy-Policy