

WHO CAN HELP

Pike County Fair Housing Office 740-947-4104 ✓

Pike County Job & Family Services 740-947-2171 ✓

Pike County Metropolitan Housing Authority 740-289-4534 ✓

Southeastern Ohio Legal Services Chillicothe Area Office 740-773-0012 ✓

Department of Housing and Urban Development ✓ 1-800-669-9777
TDD ~~1-800-927-9275~~

Ohio Civil Rights Commission ✓ 1-888-278-7101
TDD ~~1-614-466-9353~~

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WHAT THE LAW SAYS A LANDLORD CANNOT DO

There are several things that landlords are **prohibited by law** from doing.

1. A landlord cannot do anything to prevent his tenant from exercising rights that are listed under **WHAT THE LAW REQUIRES A LANDLORD TO DO**. He/she cannot increase rent, decrease services, bring or even threaten an eviction because a tenant has complained to him or local government about a code violation, or because a tenant has participated in a tenant's union. However, he/she can take any of these actions a reasonable time after a tenant has exercised their rights.
2. A landlord also is not permitted to shut off any utilities, change the locks on an apartment or house, or threaten any of these acts in order to make a tenant move out.
3. A landlord cannot enter an apartment or house whenever he/she wants or repeatedly demand to enter.
4. A landlord is not permitted to remove any personal property from a dwelling without proper court action.

Even if a tenant is behind on rent, a landlord has no right to do any of the things listed in this section. If he/she does anyway, the tenant should consult an attorney.

