

INFORMATIONAL NOTICE OF COVID-19 TENANT RELIEF ACT OF 2020

TO: _____
All Residents (tenants and subtenants) in possession (full name) and all others in possession

of the premises located at:

_____, Unit # (if applicable) _____
(Street Address)

_____, CA _____
(City) (Zip)

You are hereby notified, in accordance with Code of Civil Procedure Section 1179.04:

NOTICE FROM THE STATE OF CALIFORNIA: The California Legislature has enacted the COVID-19 Tenant Relief Act of 2020 which provides protects renters who have experienced COVID-19-related financial distress from being evicted for failing to make rental payments due between March 1, 2020 and January 31, 2021.

“COVID-19-related financial distress” means any of the following:

1. Loss of income caused by the COVID-19 pandemic.
2. Increased out-of-pocket expenses directly related to performing essential work during the COVID-19 pandemic.
3. Increased expenses directly related to the health impact of the COVID-19 pandemic.
4. Childcare responsibilities or responsibilities to care for an elderly, disabled, or sick family member directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic that limit your ability to earn income.
5. Increased costs for childcare or attending to an elderly, disabled, or sick family member directly related to the COVID-19 pandemic.
6. Other circumstances related to the COVID-19 pandemic that have reduced your income or increased your expenses.

This law gives you the following protections:

1. If you failed to make rental payments due between March 1, 2020, and August 31, 2020, because you had decreased income or increased expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic, as described above, you cannot be evicted based on this nonpayment.
2. If you are unable to pay rental payments that come due between September 1, 2020, and January 31, 2021, because of decreased income or increased expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic, as described above, you cannot be evicted if you pay 25 percent of the rental payments missed during that time period on or before January 31, 2021.

You must provide, to your landlord, a declaration under penalty of perjury of your COVID-19-related financial distress attesting to the decreased income or increased expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic to be protected by the eviction limitations described above. Before your landlord can seek to evict you for failing to make a payment that came due between March 1, 2020, and January 31, 2021, your landlord will be required to give you a 15-day notice that informs you of the amounts owed and includes a blank declaration form you can use to comply with this requirement.

If your landlord has proof of income on file which indicates that your household makes at least 130 percent of the median income for the county where the rental property is located, as published by the Department of Housing and Community Development in the Official State Income Limits for 2020, your landlord may also require you to provide documentation which shows that you have experienced a decrease in income or



increase in expenses due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Your landlord must tell you in the 15-day notice whether your landlord is requiring that documentation. Any form of objectively verifiable documentation that demonstrates the financial impact you have experienced is sufficient, including a letter from your employer, an unemployment insurance record, or medical bills, and may be provided to satisfy the documentation requirement.

It is very important you do not ignore a 15-day notice to pay rent or quit or a notice to perform covenants or quit from your landlord. If you are served with a 15-day notice and do not provide the declaration form to your landlord before the 15-day notice expires, you could be evicted. You could also be evicted beginning February 1, 2021, if you owe rental payments due between September 1, 2020, and January 31, 2021, and you do not pay an amount equal to at least 25 percent of the payments missed for that time period.

For information about legal resources that may be available to you, visit lawhelpca.org.

_____ by _____, _____ Agent for Landlord
Landlord Individual Signing for Landlord Management Co. (If Applicable)

Date



[For Landlord Use Only]

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Proof of Service

I, the undersigned, being at least 18 years of age, declare that I served this notice, of which this is a true copy, on the _____ day of _____ (month), _____ (year), on the above-mentioned resident(s) in possession, in the manner indicated below.

BY MAILING by first class mail on said date a copy to each resident by depositing said copies in the United States Mail, in a sealed envelope, with postage fully prepaid, addressed to the above-named resident(s) at their place of residence

OR

- BY DELIVERING** a copy of the Notice to the following resident(s) PERSONALLY: _____
- BY LEAVING** a copy for each of the above-named resident(s) with a person of suitable age and discretion at the residence or usual place of business of the resident(s), said resident(s) being absent therefrom;
AND MAILING by first class mail on said date a copy to each resident by depositing said copies in the United States Mail, in a sealed envelope, with postage fully prepaid, addressed to the above-named resident(s) at their place of residence.
- BY POSTING** a copy for each of the above-named resident(s) in a conspicuous place on the property therein described there being no person of suitable age or discretion to be found at any known place of residence or business of said resident(s);
AND MAILING by first class mail on the same day as posted, a copy to each resident by depositing said copies in the United States Mail, in a sealed envelope with postage fully prepaid, addressed to the resident(s) at the place where the property is situated.

I declare under penalty of perjury, under the laws of the State of California, that the foregoing is true and correct and if called as a witness to testify thereto, I could do so competently.

Executed this _____ day of _____ (month), _____ (year), in _____ (city), _____ (state).

Name of Declarant (Print)

(Signature of Declarant)

