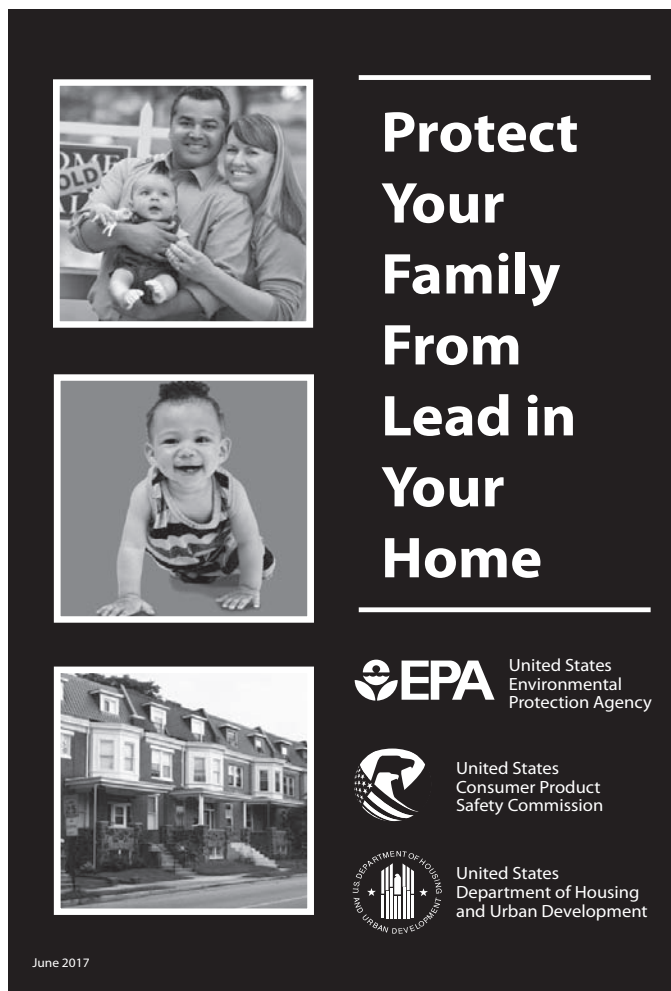




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Did you know that many homes built before 1978 have **lead-based paint**? Lead from paint, chips, and dust can pose serious health hazards.

**Read this entire brochure to learn:**

- How lead gets into the body
- How lead affects health
- What you can do to protect your family
- Where to go for more information

**Before renting or buying a pre-1978 home or apartment, federal law requires:**

- Sellers must disclose known information on lead-based paint or lead-based paint hazards before selling a house.
- Real estate sales contracts must include a specific warning statement about lead-based paint. Buyers have up to 10 days to check for lead.
- Landlords must disclose known information on lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazards before leases take effect. Leases must include a specific warning statement about lead-based paint.

**If undertaking renovations, repairs, or painting (RRP) projects in your pre-1978 home or apartment:**

- Read EPA's pamphlet, *The Lead-Safe Certified Guide to Renovate Right*, to learn about the lead-safe work practices that contractors are required to follow when working in your home (see page 12).



**If you think your home has lead-based paint:**

- Don't try to remove lead-based paint yourself.
- Always keep painted surfaces in good condition to minimize deterioration.
- Get your home checked for lead hazards. Find a certified inspector or risk assessor at [epa.gov/lead](http://epa.gov/lead).
- Talk to your landlord about fixing surfaces with peeling or chipping paint.
- Regularly clean floors, window sills, and other surfaces.
- Take precautions to avoid exposure to lead dust when remodeling.
- When renovating, repairing, or painting, hire only EPA- or state-approved Lead-Safe certified renovation firms.
- Before buying, renting, or renovating your home, have it checked for lead-based paint.
- Consult your health care provider about testing your children for lead. Your pediatrician can check for lead with a simple blood test.
- Wash children's hands, bottles, pacifiers, and toys often.
- Make sure children eat healthy, low-fat foods high in iron, calcium, and vitamin C.
- Remove shoes or wipe soil off shoes before entering your house.

## Lead Gets into the Body in Many Ways

**Adults and children can get lead into their bodies if they:**

- Breathe in lead dust (especially during activities such as renovations, repairs, or painting that disturb painted surfaces).
- Swallow lead dust that has settled on food, food preparation surfaces, and other places.
- Eat paint chips or soil that contains lead.

**Lead is especially dangerous to children under the age of 6.**

- At this age, children's brains and nervous systems are more sensitive to the damaging effects of lead.
- Children's growing bodies absorb more lead.
- Babies and young children often put their hands and other objects in their mouths. These objects can have lead dust on them.



**Women of childbearing age should know that lead is dangerous to a developing fetus.**

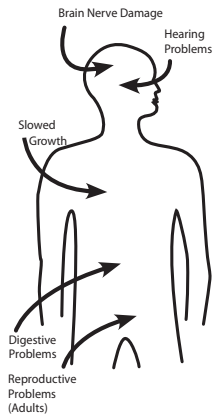
- Women with a high lead level in their system before or during pregnancy risk exposing the fetus to lead through the placenta during fetal development.

Health Effects of Lead

**Lead affects the body in many ways.** It is important to know that even exposure to low levels of lead can severely harm children.

**In children, exposure to lead can cause:**

- Nervous system and kidney damage
- Learning disabilities, attention-deficit disorder, and decreased intelligence
- Speech, language, and behavior problems
- Poor muscle coordination
- Decreased muscle and bone growth
- Hearing damage



While low-lead exposure is most common, exposure to high amounts of lead can have devastating effects on children, including seizures, unconsciousness, and in some cases, death.

Although children are especially susceptible to lead exposure, lead can be dangerous for adults, too.

**In adults, exposure to lead can cause:**

- Harm to a developing fetus
- Increased chance of high blood pressure during pregnancy
- Fertility problems (in men and women)
- High blood pressure
- Digestive problems
- Nerve disorders
- Memory and concentration problems
- Muscle and joint pain

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Check Your Family for Lead

**Get your children and home tested if you think your home has lead.**

Children's blood lead levels tend to increase rapidly from 6 to 12 months of age, and tend to peak at 18 to 24 months of age.

Consult your doctor for advice on testing your children. A simple blood test can detect lead. Blood lead tests are usually recommended for:

- Children at ages 1 and 2
- Children or other family members who have been exposed to high levels of lead
- Children who should be tested under your state or local health screening plan

**Your doctor can explain what the test results mean and if more testing will be needed.**

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Where Lead-Based Paint Is Found

In general, the older your home or childcare facility, the more likely it has lead-based paint.<sup>1</sup>

**Many homes, including private, federally-assisted, federally-owned housing, and childcare facilities built before 1978 have lead-based paint.** In 1978, the federal government banned consumer uses of lead-containing paint.<sup>2</sup>

Learn how to determine if paint is lead-based paint on page 7.

**Lead can be found:**

- In homes and childcare facilities in the city, country, or suburbs,
- In private and public single-family homes and apartments,
- On surfaces inside and outside of the house, and
- In soil around a home. (Soil can pick up lead from exterior paint or other sources, such as past use of leaded gas in cars.)

Learn more about where lead is found at [epa.gov/lead](http://epa.gov/lead).

<sup>1</sup> "Lead-based paint" is currently defined by the federal government as paint with lead levels greater than or equal to 1.0 milligram per square centimeter (mg/cm), or more than 0.5% by weight.

<sup>2</sup> "Lead-containing paint" is currently defined by the federal government as lead in new dried paint in excess of 90 parts per million (ppm) by weight.

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Identifying Lead-Based Paint and Lead-Based Paint Hazards

**Deteriorating lead-based paint (peeling, chipping, chalking, cracking, or damaged paint)** is a hazard and needs immediate attention. **Lead-based paint** may also be a hazard when found on surfaces that children can chew or that get a lot of wear and tear, such as:

- On windows and window sills
- Doors and door frames
- Stairs, railings, banisters, and porches

**Lead-based paint is usually not a hazard if it is in good condition** and if it is not on an impact or friction surface like a window.

**Lead dust** can form when lead-based paint is scraped, sanded, or heated. Lead dust also forms when painted surfaces containing lead bump or rub together. Lead paint chips and dust can get on surfaces and objects that people touch. Settled lead dust can reenter the air when the home is vacuumed or swept, or when people walk through it. EPA currently defines the following levels of lead in dust as hazardous:

- 40 micrograms per square foot (µg/ft²) and higher for floors, including carpeted floors
- 250 µg/ft² and higher for interior window sills

**Lead in soil** can be a hazard when children play in bare soil or when people bring soil into the house on their shoes. EPA currently defines the following levels of lead in soil as hazardous:

- 400 parts per million (ppm) and higher in play areas of bare soil
- 1,200 ppm (average) and higher in bare soil in the remainder of the yard

**Remember, lead from paint chips—which you can see—and lead dust—which you may not be able to see—both can be hazards.**

The only way to find out if paint, dust, or soil lead hazards exist is to test for them. The next page describes how to do this.

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Checking Your Home for Lead

You can get your home tested for lead in several different ways:

- A lead-based paint **inspection** tells you if your home has lead-based paint and where it is located. It won't tell you whether your home currently has lead hazards. A trained and certified testing professional, called a lead-based paint inspector, will conduct a paint inspection using methods, such as:
  - Portable x-ray fluorescence (XRF) machine
  - Lab tests of paint samples
- A **risk assessment** tells you if your home currently has any lead hazards from lead in paint, dust, or soil. It also tells you what actions to take to address any hazards. A trained and certified testing professional, called a risk assessor, will:
  - Sample paint that is deteriorated on doors, windows, floors, stairs, and walls
  - Sample dust near painted surfaces and sample bare soil in the yard
  - Get lab tests of paint, dust, and soil samples
- A combination inspection and risk assessment tells you if your home has any lead-based paint and if your home has any lead hazards, and where both are located.

Be sure to read the report provided to you after your inspection or risk assessment is completed, and ask questions about anything you do not understand.



Checking Your Home for Lead, continued

- In preparing for renovation, repair, or painting work in a pre-1978 home, Lead-Safe Certified renovators (see page 12) may:
- Take paint chip samples to determine if lead-based paint is present in the area planned for renovation and send them to an EPA-recognized lead lab for analysis. In housing receiving federal assistance, the person collecting these samples must be a certified lead-based paint inspector or risk assessor
  - Use EPA-recognized tests kits to determine if lead-based paint is absent (but not in housing receiving federal assistance)
  - Presume that lead-based paint is present and use lead-safe work practices
- There are state and federal programs in place to ensure that testing is done safely, reliably, and effectively. Contact your state or local agency for more information, visit [epa.gov/lead](http://epa.gov/lead), or call **1-800-424-LEAD (5323)** for a list of contacts in your area.<sup>3</sup>

<sup>3</sup> Hearing- or speech-challenged individuals may access this number through TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

What You Can Do Now to Protect Your Family

If you suspect that your house has lead-based paint hazards, you can take some immediate steps to reduce your family's risk:

- If you rent, notify your landlord of peeling or chipping paint.
- Keep painted surfaces clean and free of dust. Clean floors, window frames, window sills, and other surfaces weekly. Use a mop or sponge with warm water and a general all-purpose cleaner. (Remember: never mix ammonia and bleach products together because they can form a dangerous gas.)
- Carefully clean up paint chips immediately without creating dust.
- Thoroughly rinse sponges and mop heads often during cleaning of dirty or dusty areas, and again afterward.
- Wash your hands and your children's hands often, especially before they eat and before nap time and bed time.
- Keep play areas clean. Wash bottles, pacifiers, toys, and stuffed animals regularly.
- Keep children from chewing window sills or other painted surfaces, or eating soil.
- When renovating, repairing, or painting, hire only EPA- or state-approved Lead-Safe Certified renovation firms (see page 12).
- Clean or remove shoes before entering your home to avoid tracking in lead from soil.
- Make sure children eat nutritious, low-fat meals high in iron, and calcium, such as spinach and dairy products. Children with good diets absorb less lead.

Reducing Lead Hazards

Disturbing lead-based paint or removing lead improperly can increase the hazard to your family by spreading even more lead dust around the house.

- In addition to day-to-day cleaning and good nutrition, you can **temporarily** reduce lead-based paint hazards by taking actions, such as repairing damaged painted surfaces and planting grass to cover lead-contaminated soil. These actions are not permanent solutions and will need ongoing attention.
- You can minimize exposure to lead when renovating, repairing, or painting by hiring an EPA- or state-certified renovator who is trained in the use of lead-safe work practices. If you are a do-it-yourselfer, learn how to use lead-safe work practices in your home.
- To remove lead hazards permanently, you should hire a certified lead abatement contractor. Abatement (or permanent hazard elimination) methods include removing, sealing, or enclosing lead-based paint with special materials. Just painting over the hazard with regular paint is not permanent control.



**Always use a certified contractor who is trained to address lead hazards safely.**

- Hire a Lead-Safe Certified firm (see page 12) to perform renovation, repair, or painting (RRP) projects that disturb painted surfaces.
- To correct lead hazards permanently, hire a certified lead abatement professional. This will ensure your contractor knows how to work safely and has the proper equipment to clean up thoroughly.

Certified contractors will employ qualified workers and follow strict safety rules as set by their state or by the federal government.

Reducing Lead Hazards, continued

If your home has had lead abatement work done or if the housing is receiving federal assistance, once the work is completed, dust cleanup activities must be conducted until clearance testing indicates that lead dust levels are below the following levels:

- 40 micrograms per square foot (µg/ft²) for floors, including carpeted floors
- 250 µg/ft² for interior windows sills
- 400 µg/ft² for window troughs

For help in locating certified lead abatement professionals in your area, call your state or local agency (see pages 14 and 15), or visit [epa.gov/lead](http://epa.gov/lead), or call 1-800-424-LEAD.

Renovating, Repairing or Painting a Home with Lead-Based Paint

If you hire a contractor to conduct renovation, repair, or painting (RRP) projects in your pre-1978 home or childcare facility (such as pre-school and kindergarten), your contractor must:

- Be a Lead-Safe Certified firm approved by EPA or an EPA-authorized state program
- Use qualified trained individuals (Lead-Safe Certified renovators) who follow specific lead-safe work practices to prevent lead contamination
- Provide a copy of EPA's lead hazard information document, *The Lead-Safe Certified Guide to Renovate Right*



RRP contractors working in pre-1978 homes and childcare facilities must follow lead-safe work practices that:

- **Contain the work area.** The area must be contained so that dust and debris do not escape from the work area. Warning signs must be put up, and plastic or other impermeable material and tape must be used.
- **Avoid renovation methods that generate large amounts of lead-contaminated dust.** Some methods generate so much lead-contaminated dust that their use is prohibited. They are:
  - Open-flame burning or torching
  - Sanding, grinding, planing, needle gunning, or blasting with power tools and equipment not equipped with a shroud and HEPA vacuum attachment
  - Using a heat gun at temperatures greater than 1100°F
- **Clean up thoroughly.** The work area should be cleaned up daily. When all the work is done, the area must be cleaned up using special cleaning methods.
- **Dispose of waste properly.** Collect and seal waste in a heavy duty bag or sheeting. When transported, ensure that waste is contained to prevent release of dust and debris.

To learn more about EPA's requirements for RRP projects, visit [epa.gov/getleadsafe](http://epa.gov/getleadsafe), or read *The Lead-Safe Certified Guide to Renovate Right*.

Other Sources of Lead

Lead in Drinking Water

The most common sources of lead in drinking water are lead pipes, faucets, and fixtures.

Lead pipes are more likely to be found in older cities and homes built before 1986.

You can't smell or taste lead in drinking water.

To find out for certain if you have lead in drinking water, have your water tested.

Remember older homes with a private well can also have plumbing materials that contain lead.

Important Steps You Can Take to Reduce Lead in Drinking Water

- Use only cold water for drinking, cooking and making baby formula. Remember, boiling water does not remove lead from water.
- Before drinking, flush your home's pipes by running the tap, taking a shower, doing laundry, or doing a load of dishes.
- Regularly clean your faucet's screen (also known as an aerator).
- If you use a filter certified to remove lead, don't forget to read the directions to learn when to change the cartridge. Using a filter after it has expired can make it less effective at removing lead.

Contact your water company to determine if the pipe that connects your home to the water main (called a service line) is made from lead. Your area's water company can also provide information about the lead levels in your system's drinking water.

For more information about lead in drinking water, please contact EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline at 1-800-426-4791. If you have other questions about lead poisoning prevention, call 1-800 424-LEAD.\*

Call your local health department or water company to find out about testing your water, or visit [epa.gov/safewater](http://epa.gov/safewater) for EPA's lead in drinking water information. Some states or utilities offer programs to pay for water testing for residents. Contact your state or local water company to learn more.

\* Hearing- or speech-challenged individuals may access this number through TTY by calling the Federal Relay Service at 1-800-877-8339.

Other Sources of Lead, continued

- **Lead smelters** or other industries that release lead into the air.
- **Your job.** If you work with lead, you could bring it home on your body or clothes. Shower and change clothes before coming home. Launder your work clothes separately from the rest of your family's clothes.
- **Hobbies** that use lead, such as making pottery or stained glass, or refinishing furniture. Call your local health department for information about hobbies that may use lead.
- Old **toys** and **furniture** may have been painted with lead-containing paint. Older toys and other children's products may have parts that contain lead.<sup>4</sup>
- Food and liquids cooked or stored in **lead crystal** or **lead-glazed pottery or porcelain** may contain lead.
- Folk remedies, such as "**greta**" and "**azarcon**," used to treat an upset stomach.

<sup>4</sup> In 1978, the federal government banned toys, other children's products, and furniture with lead-containing paint. In 2008, the federal government banned lead in most



For More Information

**The National Lead Information Center**  
Learn how to protect children from lead poisoning and get other information about lead hazards on the Web at [epa.gov/safewater](http://epa.gov/safewater) and [hud.gov/lead](http://hud.gov/lead), or call **1-800-424-LEAD (5323)**.

**EPA's Safe Drinking Water Hotline**  
For information about lead in drinking water, call **1-800-426-4791**, or visit [epa.gov/lead](http://epa.gov/lead) for information about lead in drinking water.

**Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC) Hotline**  
For information on lead in toys and other consumer products, or to report an unsafe consumer product or a product-related injury, call **1-800-638-2772**, or visit CPSC's website at [cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov) or [saferproducts.gov](http://saferproducts.gov).

**State and Local Health and Environmental Agencies**  
Some states, tribes, and cities have their own rules related to lead-based paint. Check with your local agency to see which laws apply to you. Most agencies can also provide information on finding a lead abatement firm in your area, and on possible sources of financial aid for reducing lead hazards. Receive up-to-date address and phone information for your state or local contacts on the Web at [epa.gov/safewater](http://epa.gov/safewater), or contact the National Lead Information Center at **1-800-424-LEAD**.

Hearing- or speech-challenged individuals may access any of the phone numbers in this brochure through TTY by calling the toll-free Federal Relay Service at **1-800-877-8339**.

Consumer Product Safety Commission (CPSC)

The CPSC protects the public against unreasonable risk of injury from consumer products through education, safety standards activities, and enforcement. Contact CPSC for further information regarding consumer product safety and regulations.

**CPSC**  
4330 East West Highway  
Bethesda, MD 20814-4421  
1-800-638-2772  
[cpsc.gov](http://cpsc.gov) or [saferproducts.gov](http://saferproducts.gov)

**U. S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD)**

HUD's mission is to create strong, sustainable, inclusive communities and quality affordable homes for all. Contact HUD's Office of Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control for further information regarding the Lead Safe Housing Rule, which protects families in pre-1978 assisted housing, and for the lead hazard control and research grant programs.

**HUD**  
451 Seventh Street, SW, Room 8236  
Washington, DC 20410-3000  
(202) 402-7698  
[hud.gov/offices/lead/](http://hud.gov/offices/lead/)

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IMPORTANT!

Lead From Paint, Dust, and Soil in and Around Your Home Can Be Dangerous if Not Managed Properly

- Children under 6 years old are most at risk for lead poisoning in your home.
- Lead exposure can harm young children and babies even before they are born.
- Homes, schools, and child care facilities built before 1978 are likely to contain lead-based paint.
- Even children who seem healthy may have dangerous levels of lead in their bodies.
- Disturbing surfaces with lead-based paint or removing lead-based paint improperly can increase the danger to your family.
- People can get lead into their bodies by breathing or swallowing lead dust, or by eating soil or paint chips containing lead.
- People have many options for reducing lead hazards. Generally, lead-based paint that is in good condition is not a hazard (see page 10).

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☐ **Texas Department of State Health Services**—512/458-7111      ☐ **HUD Healthy Homes and Lead Hazard Control**—202/755-1785  
☐ **EPA Region 6 Office** (*includes Texas*)—214/665-2704      ☐ **CPSC**—800/638-2772      ☐ **National Lead Information Center**—800/424-5323

FEDERALLY REQUIRED LESSOR DISCLOSURE, AGENT STATEMENT AND LESSEE ACKNOWLEDGMENT OF INFORMATION ON LEAD-BASED PAINT AND LEAD-BASED PAINT HAZARDS

**LEAD WARNING STATEMENT** Housing built before 1978 may contain lead-based paint. Lead from paint, paint chips, and dust can pose health hazards if not managed properly. Lead exposure is especially harmful to young children and pregnant women. Before renting pre-1978 housing, lessors (owners) must disclose the presence of known lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the dwelling. Lessees (residents) must also receive a federally approved pamphlet on lead poisoning prevention. (This addendum is a “pamphlet” within the meaning of federal regulations. The term “in the housing” below means either inside or outside the housing unit.)

**LEAD-FREE HOUSING** If the housing unit has been certified as “lead free” according to 24 CFR Section 35.82, the lead-based paint and lead-based paint hazard regulations do not apply, and it is not necessary to provide this addendum, or a lead-based paint warning pamphlet and lead-based paint disclosure statement, to the lessee (resident).

LESSOR’S DISCLOSURE

**Presence of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards** (*check only one box*)

- ☒ Lessor (owner) has no knowledge of lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.
- ☐ Lessor (owner) knows that lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards are present in the housing (*explain*).

**Records and reports available to lessor** (*check only one box*)

- ☒ Lessor (owner) has no reports or records pertaining to lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing.
- ☐ Lessor (owner) has reports or records indicating the presence of some lead-based paint and/or lead-based paint hazards in the housing, and has provided the lessees (residents) with all such records and reports that are available to lessor (*list documents*).

**Agent’s Statement.** If another person or entity is involved in leasing the dwelling as an agent of the lessor (i.e., as a management company, real estate agent or locator service acting for the owner), such agent represents that: (1) agent has informed the lessor of the lessor’s obligations under 42 U.S.C. 4852(d); and (2) agent is aware of agent’s responsibility to ensure that lessor complies with such disclosure laws. Such compliance may be through lessor himself or herself, or through lessor’s employees, officers or agents. Lessor’s obligations include those in 24 CFR Sections 35.88 and 35.92 and 40 CFR Sections 745.107 and 745.113. Agent’s obligations include those in 24 CFR Section 35.94 and 40 CFR Section 745.115.

**Accuracy Certifications and Resident’s Acknowledgment.** Lessor and any agent named below certify that to the best of their knowledge the above information and statements made or provided by them, respectively, are true and accurate. The person who signs for the LESSOR may be: (1) the owner himself or herself; (2) an employee, officer or partner of the owner; or (3) a representative of the owner’s management company, real estate agent or locator service if such person is authorized to sign for the lessor. The person who signs for the AGENT may be: (1) the agent himself or herself; or (2) an employee, officer or partner of the agent if such person is authorized to sign for the agent. The lessees (residents) signing below acknowledge that they have received a copy of this TAA lease addendum before becoming obligated under the lease and have been informed that it contains the disclosure form and pamphlet information required by federal law regarding lead poisoning prevention.

**Ridgmar Venture LLC, 2252 Ridgmar Plaza #58**

Apartment name & unit number OR street address of dwelling

**Fort Worth, TX 76116**

City/State/ZIP

*Deric Johnson*

Lessee (Resident)

08/28/2019

Date signed

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**Ridgmar Venture LLC**

Printed name of LESSOR (owner) of the dwelling

**Woods of Ridgmar**

Printed name of any AGENT of lessor, i.e., management company, real estate agent or locator service involved in leasing the dwelling

*Crystal Garza*

09/05/2019

Signature of person signing on behalf of above LESSOR

Date signed

Signature of person signing on behalf of above AGENT, if any      Date signed

You are entitled to receive a copy of this Addendum after it is fully signed. Keep it in a safe place.





**Date of Lease:** August 28, 2019  
(when the Lease is filled out)

**1. Addendum.** This is an addendum to the Lease Contract that you, the resident or residents, signed on the dwelling you have agreed to rent. That dwelling is:

**2. Purpose.** This addendum modifies the Lease Contract to address any infestation of bed bugs (*Cimex lectularius*) that might be found in the dwelling or on your personal property. We will rely on representations that you make to us in this addendum.

# Bed Bugs

## A Guide for Rental-Housing Residents

*(Adapted with permission from the National Apartment Association)*

Bed bugs are wingless, flat, broadly oval-shaped insects, with a typical lifespan of 6 to 12 months. Capable of reaching the size of an apple seed at full growth, bed bugs are distinguishable by their reddish-brown color, although after feeding on the blood of humans and warm-blooded animals—their sole food source—the bugs assume a distinctly blood-red hue until digestion is complete.

### Bed bugs don't discriminate.

Bed bugs' increased presence across the United States in recent decades is due largely to a surge in international travel and trade. It's no surprise then that bed bugs have been found in some of the fanciest hotels and apartment buildings in some of the nation's most expensive neighborhoods.

Nonetheless, false claims that associate bed bugs presence with poor hygiene and uncleanness have caused rental-housing residents, out of shame, to avoid notifying owners of their presence. This only causes the bed bugs to spread.

While bed bugs are more attracted to clutter, they're certainly not discouraged by cleanliness. Bottom line: bed bugs know no social or economic bounds; claims to the contrary are false.

### Bed bugs don't transmit disease.

There exists no scientific evidence that bed bugs carry disease. In fact, federal agencies tasked with addressing pests of public-health concern, namely the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, have refused to elevate bed bugs to the threat level posed by disease-carrying pests. Again, claims associating bed bugs with disease are false.

### Learn to identify bed bugs.

Bed bugs can often be found in, around, behind, under, or between:

- Bedding
- Bed frames
- Mattress seams
- Upholstered furniture, especially under cushions and along seams
- Wood furniture, especially along areas where drawers slide
- Curtains and draperies
- Window and door frames
- Ceiling and wall junctions
- Crown moldings
- Wall hangings and loose wallpaper
- Carpeting and walls (carpet can be pulled away from the wall and tack strip)
- Cracks and crevices in walls and floors
- Electronic devices, such as smoke and carbon-monoxide detectors

Because bed bugs leave some people with itchy welts similar to those made by fleas and mosquitoes, the

cause of welts like that often go misdiagnosed. One distinguishing sign is that bed-bug marks often appear in succession on exposed areas of the skin such as the face, neck, and arms. But sometimes a person has no visible reaction at all from direct contact with bed bugs.

While bed bugs typically act at night, they often leave signs of their presence through fecal markings of a red to dark-brown color, visible on or near beds. Blood stains also tend to appear when the bugs have been squashed, usually by an unsuspecting sleeping host. And because they shed, it's not uncommon to find the skin casts they leave behind.

### Prevent bed-bug encounters when traveling.

Because humans serve as bed bugs' main mode of transportation, it's especially important to be mindful of bed bugs when away from home. Experts attribute the spread of bed bugs across all regions of the United States largely to increases in travel and trade, both here and abroad. So travelers are encouraged to take a few minutes on arriving to thoroughly inspect their accommodations before unpacking. Because bed bugs can easily travel from one place to another, it's also a good practice to thoroughly inspect luggage and belongings for bed bugs before heading home.

### Know the bed-bug dos and don'ts.

- **Don't** bring used furniture from unknown sources into your dwelling. Countless bed-bug infestations have stemmed directly from bringing home second-hand and abandoned furniture. Unless you are absolutely sure that a piece of second-hand furniture is bed-bug-free, you should assume that a seemingly nice looking leather couch, for example, is sitting curbside waiting to be hauled off to the landfill because it's teeming with bed bugs.
- **Do** inspect rental furniture, including mattresses and couches, for the presence of bed bugs before moving it into your dwelling.
- **Do** address bed-bug sightings immediately. Rental-housing residents who suspect the presence of bed bugs in their unit must immediately notify the owner.
- **Don't** try to treat bed-bug infestations yourself. Health hazards associated with the misapplication of traditional and nontraditional chemical-based insecticides and pesticides poses too great a risk to you, your family and pets, and your neighbors.
- **Do** comply with eradication protocol. If the determination is made that your unit is indeed playing host to bed bugs, you must comply with the bed-bug-eradication protocol set forth by both your owner and their designated pest-management company.



## Apartment Lease Contract

This is a binding contract. Read carefully before signing.

Date of Lease Contract: August 28, 2019  
(when this Lease Contract is filled out)

### Moving In — General Information

1. **Parties.** This Lease Contract ("Lease") is between you, the resident(s) (*list all people signing the Lease*):

Deric Johnson

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

and us, the owner: Ridgmar Venture LLC

(name of apartment community or title holder). You are renting Apartment No. 58, at 2252 Ridgmar Plaza

(street address) in Fort Worth

(city), Texas 76116 (zip code) for use as a private residence only. The terms "you" and "your" refer to all residents listed above or, in the event of a sole resident's death, to someone authorized to act for the estate. The terms "we," "us," and "our" refer to the owner listed above and not to property managers or anyone else. **Neither we nor any of our representatives have made any oral promises, representations, or agreements. This Lease is the entire agreement between you and us.**

2. **Occupants.** The apartment will be occupied only by you and (*list all other occupants not signing the Lease*):

NONE

—and no one else. Anyone not listed here cannot stay in the apartment for more than 3 days in one week without our prior written consent, and no more than twice that many days in any one month. **If the previous space isn't filled in, 2 days total per week will be the limit.**

3. **Lease Term.** The initial term of the Lease begins on the 1st day of September (month), 2019 (year), and ends at 11:59 p.m. the 30th day of September (month), 2020 (year).

After that, this Lease will automatically renew month-to-month unless either party gives at least 60 days' written notice of termination or intent to move out as required by Par. 36. **If the number of days isn't filled in, notice of at least 30 days is required.**

4. **Security Deposit.** The total security deposit for all residents is \$ 150.00, due on or before the date this Lease is signed. This amount [*check one*]: ☐ does **or** ☒ does not include an animal deposit. Any animal deposit will be designated in an animal addendum. Security-deposit refund check and any deduction itemizations will be by [*check one*]:

☐ one check jointly payable to all residents and mailed to any one resident we choose, **or**

☒ one check payable to and mailed to Head of Household

(specify name of one resident).

If neither option is checked here, the first option applies. See Par. 40 and 41 for security-deposit return information.

5. **Keys, Move-Out, and Furniture.** You'll be given 2 apartment key(s), 1 mailbox key(s), and \_\_\_\_\_ other access devices for \_\_\_\_\_.

**Before moving out, you must give our representative advance written move-out notice as stated in Par. 36.** The move-out date in your notice [*check one*]: ☐ must be the last day of the month, **or** ☒ may be the exact day designated in your notice. If neither option is checked here, the second applies. Any resident, occupant, or spouse who, according to a remaining resident's affidavit, has permanently moved out or is under court order not to enter the apartment, is (at our option) no longer entitled to occupancy, keys, or other access devices, unless authorized by court order. Your apartment will be [*check one*]: ☐ furnished **or** ☐ unfurnished.

6. **Rent and Charges.** You will pay \$ 805.00 per month for rent, in advance and without demand [*check one*]:

☒ at the onsite manager's office

☒ through our online payment site

☐ at \_\_\_\_\_

Prorated rent of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ is due for the remainder of the [*check one*]: ☐ 1st month **or** ☐ 2nd month, on the \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ (month), \_\_\_\_\_ (year).

**You must pay your rent on or before the 1st day of each month (due date). There is no grace period for the payment of rent, and you agree that not paying rent on or before the 1st of each month is a material breach of this Lease. Cash is not acceptable without our prior written permission. You cannot withhold or offset rent unless authorized by law.** We may, at our option, require at any time that you pay all rent and other sums in one single payment by any method we specify.

We won't impose late charges until at least the fourth day of the month. If you don't pay rent in full on or before the 3rd day of the month at 11:59 p.m., you will pay us the following initial late charges immediately and without demand in addition to rent:

☒ 10 percent of one month's rent as stated in this paragraph **OR**

☐ \$ 50.00.

In addition to the initial late charges, we may impose daily late fees of \$ 10.00 or \_\_\_\_\_ % of rent per day thereafter until rent and late charges are paid in full. Daily late charges cannot exceed \_\_\_\_\_ days (maximum of 15 days) for any single month's rent.

You'll also pay a charge of \$ 50.00 for each returned check or rejected electronic payment, plus initial and daily late charges, until we receive acceptable payment. If you don't pay rent on time, you'll be in default and subject to all remedies under state law and this Lease.

7. **Utilities and Services.** We'll pay for the following items, if checked: ☒ gas ☒ water ☒ wastewater ☒ electricity ☒ trash/recycling ☐ cable/satellite ☐ master antenna ☐ Internet ☒ stormwater/drainage ☒ other Above billed to you.

You'll pay for all other utilities and services, related deposits, and any charges or fees on such utilities and services during your Lease term. See Par. 12 for other related provisions regarding utilities and services.

8. **Insurance.** *Our insurance doesn't cover the loss of or damage to your personal property.* You are [*check one*]:

☐ required to buy and maintain renter's or liability insurance (see attached addendum), **or**

☒ not required to buy renter's or liability insurance.

**If neither option is checked, insurance is not required but is still strongly recommended. Even if not required, we urge you to get your own insurance for losses due to theft, fire, water, pipe leaks, and similar occurrences.** Renter's insurance doesn't cover losses due to a flood. Information on renter's insurance is available from the Texas Department of Insurance.

9. **Special Provisions.** The following or attached special provisions and any addenda or written rules furnished to you at or before signing will become a part of this Lease and will supersede any conflicting provisions of this printed Lease form.

NO checks accepted after the 3rd of the month.

10. **Unlawful Early Move-Out And Reletting Charge.**

**10.1 Your Responsibility.** You'll be liable for a reletting charge of \$ 684.25 (not to exceed 85% of the highest monthly rent during the Lease term) if you: (A) fail to move in, or fail to give written move-out notice as required in Par. 23 or 36; (B) move out without paying rent in full for the entire Lease term or renewal period; (C) move out at our demand because of your default; or (D) are judicially evicted. **The reletting charge is not a cancellation fee and does not release you from your obligations under this Lease. See the next section.**



**10.2 Not a Release.** The reletting charge is neither a Lease cancellation nor a buyout fee. It is a liquidated amount covering only part of our damages—for our time, effort, and expense in finding and processing a replacement resident. These damages are uncertain and hard to ascertain—particularly those relating to inconvenience, paperwork, advertising, showing apartments, utilities for showing, checking prospects, overhead, marketing costs, and locator-service fees. You agree that the reletting charge is a reasonable estimate of our damages and that the charge is due whether or not our reletting attempts succeed. If no amount is stipulated, you must pay our actual reletting costs as far as they can be determined. The reletting charge doesn't release you from continued liability for future or past-due rent; charges for cleaning, repairing, repainting, or dealing with unreturned keys; or other sums due.

**11. Security Devices.**

**11.1 What We Provide.** *Texas Property Code secs. 92.151, 92.153, and 92.154 require, with some exceptions, that we provide at no cost to you when occupancy begins: (A) a window latch on each window; (B) a doorviewer (peephole) on each exterior door; (C) a pin lock on each sliding door; (D) either a door-handle latch or a security bar on each sliding door; (E) a keyless bolting device (deadbolt) on each exterior door; and (F) either a keyed doorknob lock or a keyed deadbolt lock on one entry door. Keyed locks will be rekeyed after the prior resident moves out. The rekeying will be done either before you move in or within 7 days after you move in, as required by law. If we fail to install or rekey security devices as required by law, you have the right to do so and deduct the reasonable cost from your next rent payment under Texas Property Code sec. 92.165(1). We may deactivate or not install keyless bolting devices on your doors if (A) you or an occupant in the dwelling is over 55 or disabled, and (B) the requirements of Texas Property Code sec. 92.153(e) or (f) are satisfied.*

**11.2 Who Pays What.** We'll pay for missing security devices that are required by law. **You'll pay for: (A) rekeying that you request (unless we failed to rekey after the previous resident moved out); and (B) repairs or replacements because of misuse or damage by you or your family, your occupants, or your guests.** You must pay immediately after the work is done unless state law authorizes advance payment. You must also pay in advance for any additional or changed security devices you request.

**12. Other Utilities and Services.** Television channels that are provided may be changed during the Lease term if the change applies to all residents. You may use utilities only for normal household purposes and must not waste them. If your electricity is interrupted, you must use only battery-operated lighting (no flames). You must not allow any utilities (other than cable or Internet) to be cut off or switched for any reason—including disconnection for not paying your bills—until the Lease term or renewal period ends. If a utility is submetered or prorated by an allocation formula, we'll attach an addendum to this Lease in compliance with state-agency rules. If a utility is individually metered, it must be connected in your name and you must notify the provider of your move-out date so the meter can be timely read. If you delay getting it turned on in your name by the Lease's start date or cause it to be transferred back into our name before you surrender or abandon the apartment, you'll be liable for a \$\_\_\_\_\_ charge (not to exceed \$50 per billing period), plus the actual or estimated cost of the utilities used while the utility should have been billed to you. If you're in an area open to competition and your apartment is individually metered, you may choose or change your retail electric provider at any time. If you qualify, your provider will be the same as ours, unless you choose a different provider. If you do choose or change your provider, you must give us written notice. You must pay all applicable provider fees, including any fees to change service back into our name after you move out.

**Special Provisions and "What If" Clauses**

**13. Damages and Reimbursement.**

**13.1 Damage in the Apartment Community.** You must promptly pay or reimburse us for loss, damage, consequential damages, government fines or charges, or cost of repairs or service in the apartment community because of a Lease or rules violation; improper use; negligence; other conduct by you, your invitees, your occupants, or your guests; or any other cause not due to our negligence or fault as allowed by law, except for damages by acts of God to the extent they couldn't be mitigated by your action or inaction.

**13.2 Indemnification by You.** *You'll defend, indemnify and hold us harmless from all liability arising from your conduct or that of your invitees, your occupants, your guests, or our representatives who at your request perform services not contemplated in this Lease.*

**13.3 Damage and Wastewater Stoppage.** *Unless damage or wastewater stoppage is due to our negligence, we're not liable for—and you must pay for—repairs, replacements, and damage of the following kind if occurring during the Lease term or renewal period: (A) damage to doors, windows, or screens; (B) damage from windows or doors left open; and (C) damage from wastewater stoppages caused by improper objects in lines exclusively serving your apartment.*

**13.4 No Waiver.** We may require payment at any time, including advance payment to repair damage that you are liable for. Delay in demanding sums you owe is not a waiver.

**14. Contractual Lien and Property Left in Apartment.**

**14.1 Lien Against Your Property for Rent.** *All property in the apartment (unless exempt under Texas Property Code sec. 54.042) is subject to a contractual lien to secure payment of delinquent rent (except as prohibited by Texas Government Code sec. 2306.6738, for owners supported by housing-tax-credit allocations).* For this purpose, "apartment" excludes common areas but includes the interior living areas and exterior patios, balconies, attached garages, and any storerooms for your exclusive use.

**14.2 Removal After We Exercise Lien for Rent.** *If your rent is delinquent, our representative may peacefully enter the apartment, and remove and/or store all property subject to lien.* All property in the apartment is presumed to be yours unless proved otherwise. After the property is removed, a written notice of entry must be left in a conspicuous place in the apartment—including a list of items removed, the amount of delinquent rent due, and the name, address, and phone number of the person to contact. The notice must also state that the property will be promptly returned when the delinquent rent is fully paid.

**14.3 Removal After Surrender, Abandonment, or Eviction.** We, or law officers, may remove or store all property remaining in the apartment or in common areas (including any vehicles you or any occupant or guest owns or uses) if you're judicially evicted or if you surrender or abandon the apartment (see definitions in Par. 41).

**14.4 Storage.**

- (A) **No duty.** We'll store property removed under a contractual lien. We may—but we have no duty to—store property removed after judicial eviction, surrender, or abandonment of the apartment.
- (B) **No liability.** We're not liable for casualty, loss, damage, or theft, except for property removed under a contractual lien.
- (C) **Charges you pay.** You must pay reasonable charges for our packing, removing, storing, and selling of any property.
- (D) **Our lien.** We have a lien on all property removed and stored after surrender, abandonment, or judicial eviction for all sums you owe, with one exception: our lien on property listed under Texas Property Code sec. 54.042 is limited to charges for packing, removing, and storing.

**14.5 Redemption.**

- (A) **Property on which we have a lien.** If we've seized and stored property under a contractual lien for rent as authorized by law, you may redeem the property by paying all delinquent rent due at the time of seizure. But if notice of sale (see Par. 14.6(C)) is given before you seek redemption, you may redeem only by paying the delinquent rent plus our reasonable charges for packing, removing, and storing.
- (B) **Property removed after surrender, abandonment, or judicial eviction.** If we've removed and stored property after surrender, abandonment, or judicial eviction, you may redeem only by paying all sums you owe, including rent, late charges, reletting charges, storage charges, damages, etc.
- (C) **Place and payment for return.** We may return redeemed property at the place of storage, the management office, or the apartment (at our option). We may require payment by cash, money order, or certified check.

**14.6 Disposition or Sale.**

- (A) **Our options.** Except for animals, we may throw away or give to a charitable organization all personal property that is:
  - (1) left in the apartment after surrender, abandonment or death of a sole resident; **or**

(2) left outside more than 1 hour after writ of possession is executed, following judicial eviction.

**(B) Animals.** An animal removed after surrender, abandonment, or eviction may be kenneled or turned over to a local authority, humane society, or rescue organization.

**(C) Sale of property.** Property not thrown away or given to charity may be disposed of only by sale, which must be held no sooner than 30 days after written notice of the date, time, and place of sale is sent by both regular mail and certified mail (return receipt requested) to your last known address. The notice must itemize the amounts you owe and provide the name, address, and phone number of the person to contact about the sale, the amount owed, and your right to redeem the property. The sale may be public or private; is subject to any third-party ownership or lien claims; must be to the highest cash bidder; and may be in bulk, in batches, or item-by-item. If the proceeds from the sale are more than you owe, the excess amount must be mailed to you at your last known address within 30 days after sale.

**15. Failing to Pay First Month's Rent.** If you don't pay the first month's rent when or before the Lease begins, all future rent for the Lease term will be automatically accelerated without notice and become immediately due. We also may end your right of occupancy and recover damages, future rent, reletting charges, attorney's fees, court costs, and other lawful charges. Our rights, remedies and duties under Par. 10 and 32 apply to acceleration under this paragraph.

**16. Rent Increases and Lease Changes.** No rent increases or Lease changes are allowed before the initial Lease term ends, except for those allowed by special provisions in Par. 9, by a written addendum or amendment signed by you and us, or by reasonable changes of apartment rules allowed under Par. 19. If, at least 5 days before the advance-notice deadline referred to in Par. 3, we give you written notice of rent increases or Lease changes that become effective when the Lease term or renewal period ends, this Lease will automatically continue month-to-month with the increased rent or Lease changes. The new modified Lease will begin on the date stated in the notice (without needing your signature) unless you give us written move-out notice under Par. 36. The written move-out notice under Par. 36 applies only to the end of the current Lease or renewal period.

## 17. Delay of Occupancy.

**17.1 Lease Remains In Force.** We are not responsible for any delay of your occupancy caused by construction, repairs, cleaning, or a previous resident's holding over. This Lease will remain in force subject to:

- (A) abatement of rent on a daily basis during delay, **and**
- (B) your right to terminate the lease in writing as set forth below.

**17.2 Your Termination Rights.** Termination notice must be in writing. After termination under 17.1(B), you are entitled only to refund of any deposit(s) and any rent you paid. Rent abatement or Lease termination does not apply if the delay is for cleaning or repairs that don't prevent you from moving into the apartment.

**17.3 Notice of Delay.** If there is a delay of your occupancy and we haven't given notice of delay as set forth immediately below, you may terminate this Lease up to the date when the apartment is ready for occupancy, but not later.

- (a) If we give written notice to any of you or your occupants when or after the Lease begins—and the notice states that occupancy has been delayed because of construction or a previous resident's holding over, and that the apartment will be ready on a specific date—you may terminate the Lease within 3 days after you receive written notice, but no later.
- (b) If we give any of you written notice before the date the Lease begins and the notice states that a construction delay is expected and that the apartment will be ready for you to occupy on a specific date, you may terminate the Lease within 7 days after receiving written notice, but no later. The readiness date stated in the written notice becomes the new effective Lease date for all purposes. This new date can't be moved to an earlier date unless we and you agree in writing.

**18. Disclosure of Information.** If someone requests information about you or your rental history for law-enforcement, governmental, or business purposes, we may provide it. At our request, any utility provider may give us information about pending or actual connections or disconnections of utility service to your apartment.

## While You're Living in the Apartment

### 19. Community Policies and Rules.

**19.1 Generally.** Our rules are considered part of this Lease. You, your occupants, and your guests must comply with all

written apartment rules and community policies, including instructions for care of our property. We may regulate: (A) the use of patios, balconies, and porches; (B) the conduct of furniture movers and delivery persons; and (C) activities in common areas. We may make reasonable changes to written rules, and those rules can become effective immediately if the rules are distributed and applicable to all units in the apartment community and do not change the dollar amounts on pages 1 or 2 of this Lease.

**19.2 Some Specifics.** Your apartment and other areas reserved for your private use must be kept clean. Trash must be disposed of at least weekly in appropriate receptacles in accordance with local ordinances. Passageways may be used only for entry or exit. You will use balconies with care and will not overload them. Any swimming pools, saunas, spas, tanning beds, exercise rooms, storerooms, laundry rooms, and similar areas must be used with care and in accordance with apartment rules and posted signs.

**19.3 Limitations on Conduct.** Glass containers are prohibited in or near pools and all other common areas. Within the apartment community, you, your occupants, and your guests must not use candles or kerosene lamps or heaters without our prior written approval, or cook on balconies or outside. You, your occupants, and your guests must not solicit business or contributions. Conducting any kind of business (including child-care services) in your apartment or in the apartment community is prohibited—except that any lawful business conducted "at home" by computer, mail, or telephone is permissible if customers, clients, patients, or other business associates do not come to your apartment for business purposes.

**19.4 Exclusion of Persons.** We may exclude from the apartment community any guests or others who, in our judgment, have been violating the law, violating this Lease or our rules, or disturbing other residents, neighbors, visitors, or owner representatives. We may also exclude from any outside area or common area anyone who refuses to show photo identification or refuses to identify himself or herself as a resident, an occupant, or a guest of a specific resident in the community.

**19.5 Notice of Convictions and Registration.** You must notify us within 15 days if you or any of your occupants are convicted of (A) any felony, or (B) any misdemeanor involving a controlled substance, violence to another person, or destruction of property. You must also notify us within 15 days if you or any of your occupants register as a sex offender. Informing us of a criminal conviction or sex-offender registration doesn't waive any rights we may have against you.

**20. Prohibited Conduct.** You, your occupants, and your guests may not engage in the following activities:

- (a) criminal conduct, regardless of whether or where arrest or conviction occurs, including but not limited to: manufacturing, delivering, or possessing a controlled substance or drug paraphernalia; engaging in or threatening violence; possessing a weapon prohibited by law; discharging a firearm in the apartment community; or, except when allowed by law, displaying or possessing a gun, knife, or other weapon in the common area, or in a way that may alarm others;
- (b) behaving in a loud or obnoxious manner;
- (c) disturbing or threatening the rights, comfort, health, safety, or convenience of others (including our agents and employees) in or near the apartment community;
- (d) disrupting our business operations;
- (e) storing anything in closets containing gas appliances;
- (f) tampering with utilities or telecommunications;
- (g) bringing hazardous materials into the apartment community;
- (h) using windows for entry or exit;
- (i) heating the apartment with a gas-operated cooking stove or oven; **or**
- (j) making bad-faith or false allegations against us or our agents to others.

**21. Parking.** We may regulate the time, manner, and place of parking all cars, trucks, motorcycles, bicycles, boats, trailers, and recreational vehicles. Motorcycles or motorized bikes must not be parked inside an apartment, on sidewalks, under stairwells, or in handicapped-parking areas. We may have any unauthorized or illegally parked vehicles towed according to state law at the owner or operator's expense at any time if the vehicle:

- (a) has a flat tire or is otherwise inoperable;
- (b) is on jacks, on blocks, or has a wheel missing;
- (c) takes up more than one parking space;
- (d) belongs to a resident or occupant who has surrendered or abandoned the apartment;
- (e) is in a handicapped space without the legally required handicapped insignia;



- (f) is in a space marked for office visitors, managers, or staff;
- (g) blocks another vehicle from exiting;
- (h) is in a fire lane or designated “no parking” area;
- (i) is in a space marked for another resident or apartment;
- (j) is on the grass, sidewalk, or patio;
- (k) blocks a garbage truck from access to a dumpster;
- (l) has no current license or registration, and we have given you at least 10 days’ notice that the vehicle will be towed if not removed; **or**
- (m) is not moved to allow parking lot maintenance.

## 22. Release of Resident.

**22.1 Generally.** *You may have the right under Texas law to terminate the Lease early in certain situations involving family violence, certain sexual offenses, or stalking.* Otherwise, unless you’re entitled to terminate this Lease under Par. 9, 17, 23, 31, or 36, you won’t be released from this Lease for any reason—including voluntary or involuntary school withdrawal or transfer, voluntary or involuntary job transfer, marriage, separation, divorce, reconciliation, loss of coresidents, loss of employment, bad health, property purchase, or death.

**22.2 Death of Sole Resident.** If you are the sole resident and die during the Lease term, an authorized representative of your estate may terminate the Lease without penalty by giving at least 30 days’ written notice. Your estate will be liable for your Lease obligations until the latter of: (A) the termination date or (B) removal of all possessions in the apartment. Your estate will also be liable for all charges and damages until the apartment is vacated, and any removal or storage costs.

## 23. Military Personnel.

**23.1 Termination Rights.** *You may have the right under Texas law to terminate the Lease in certain situations involving military deployment or transfer.* You may terminate the Lease if you enlist, are drafted into, or are commissioned in the U.S. Armed Forces. You also may terminate the Lease if:

- (a) you are (1) a member of the U.S. Armed Forces or Reserves on active duty, or (2) a member of the National Guard called to active duty for more than 30 days in response to a national emergency declared by the President; **and**
- (b) you (1) receive orders for a permanent change of station, (2) receive orders to deploy with a military unit or as an individual in support of a military operation for 90 days or more, or (3) are relieved or released from active duty.

**23.2 How to Terminate Under This Par. 23.** You must furnish us a copy of your military orders, such as permanent-change-of-station orders, call-up orders, or deployment orders (or letter equivalent). Military permission for base housing doesn’t constitute a permanent-change-of-station order. You must deliver to us your written termination notice, after which the Lease will be terminated under this military clause 30 days after the date your next rental payment is due. After your move-out, we’ll return your security deposit, less lawful deductions.

**23.3 Who May Be Released.** For the purposes of this Lease, orders described in (b) under Par. 23.1 above will release only the resident who qualifies under both (a) and (b) above and receives the orders during the Lease term, plus that resident’s spouse or legal dependents living in the resident’s household. A coresident who is not the spouse or dependent of a military resident cannot terminate under this military clause.

**23.4 Your Representations.** Unless you state otherwise in Par. 9, you represent when signing this Lease that:

- (a) you do not already have deployment or change-of-station orders;
- (b) you will not be retiring from the military during the Lease term; **and**
- (c) the term of your enlistment or obligation will not end before the Lease term ends.

You must notify us immediately if you are called to active duty or receive deployment or permanent-change-of-station orders.

**23.5 Damages for False Representations.** Liquidated damages for making a false representation of the above will be the amount of unpaid rent for the remainder of the Lease term when and if you move out, minus rents from others received in mitigation under Par. 32.6.

## 24. Resident Safety and Loss.

**24.1 Disclaimer.** *We disclaim any express or implied warranties of security.* We care about your safety and that of other occupants and guests. You agree to make every effort to follow any Security Guidelines Addendum attached

to this Lease. **No security system is failsafe. Even the best system can’t prevent crime. Always act as if security systems don’t exist since they are subject to malfunction, tampering, and human error. The best safety measures are the ones you take as a matter of common sense and habit.**

**24.2 Your Duty of Due Care.** You, your occupants, and your guests must exercise due care for your own and others’ safety and security, especially in using smoke alarms and other detection devices, door and window locks, and other safety or security devices. Window screens are not for security or to keep people from falling out of windows.

## 24.3 Alarm and Detection Devices.

**(A) What we’ll do.** We’ll furnish smoke alarms or other detection devices required by law or city ordinance. We may install additional detectors not so required. We’ll test them and provide working batteries when you first take possession of your apartment. Upon request, we’ll provide, as required by law, a smoke alarm capable of alerting a person with a hearing-impairment disability.

**(B) Your duties.** You must pay for and replace batteries as needed, unless the law provides otherwise. We may replace dead or missing batteries at your expense, without prior notice to you. You must immediately report alarm or detector malfunctions to us. Neither you nor others may disable alarms or detectors. **If you damage or disable the smoke alarm, or remove a battery without replacing it with a working battery, you may be liable to us under Texas Property Code sec. 92.2611 for \$100 plus one month’s rent, actual damages, and attorney’s fees.** You’ll be liable to us and others if you fail to report malfunctions, or fail to report any loss, damage, or fines resulting from fire, smoke, or water.

**24.4 Loss.** Unless otherwise required by law, we’re not liable to any resident, guest, or occupant for personal injury or damage, loss of personal property, or loss of business or personal income, from any cause, including fire, smoke, rain, flood, water leaks, hail, ice, snow, lightning, wind, explosions, interruption of utilities, pipe leaks, theft, vandalism, and negligent or intentional acts of residents, occupants, or guests. We have no duty to remove any ice, sleet, or snow but may remove any amount with or without notice. Unless we instruct otherwise, during freezing weather you must for 24 hours a day: (A) keep the apartment heated to at least 50° Fahrenheit, (B) keep cabinet and closet doors open, and (C) drip hot- and cold-water faucets. You’ll be liable for any damage to our and others’ property caused by broken water pipes due to your violating these requirements.

**24.5 Crime or Emergency.** Immediately dial 911 or call local medical-emergency, fire, or police personnel in case of accident, fire, smoke, suspected criminal activity, or any other emergency involving imminent harm. You should then contact our representative. None of our security measures are an express or implied warranty of security—or a guarantee against crime or of reduced risk of crime. Unless otherwise provided by law, we’re not liable to you, your occupants, or your guests for injury, damage, or loss to person or property caused by criminal conduct of other persons, including theft, burglary, assault, vandalism, or other crimes. Even if previously provided, we’re not obliged to furnish security personnel, patrols, lighting, gates, fences, or other forms of security unless required by law. We’re not responsible for obtaining criminal-history checks on any residents, occupants, guests, or contractors in the apartment community. If you, your occupants, or your guests are affected by a crime, you must make a written report to the appropriate local law-enforcement agency and to our representative. You must also give us the law-enforcement agency’s incident-report number upon request.

## 25. Condition of the Premises and Alterations.

**25.1 As-Is. We disclaim all implied warranties.** You accept the apartment, fixtures, and furniture as is, except for conditions materially affecting the health or safety of ordinary persons. You’ll be given an Inventory & Condition form on or before move-in. Within 48 hours after move-in, you must note on the form all defects or damage, sign the form, and return it to us. Otherwise, everything will be considered to be in a clean, safe, and good working condition.

**25.2 Standards and Improvements.** You must use customary diligence in maintaining the apartment and not damaging or littering the common areas. Unless authorized by law or by us in writing, you must not do any repairs, painting, wallpapering, carpeting, electrical changes, or otherwise alter our property. No holes or stickers are allowed inside or outside the apartment. Unless our rules state otherwise, we’ll permit a reasonable number of small nail holes for hanging pictures on sheetrock walls and grooves of wood-paneled walls. No



water furniture, washing machines, extra phone or television outlets, alarm systems, or lock changes, additions, or rekeying is permitted unless allowed by law or we've consented in writing. You may install a satellite dish or antenna, but only if you sign our satellite-dish or antenna lease addendum, which complies with reasonable restrictions allowed by federal law. You must not alter, damage, or remove our property, including alarm systems, detection devices, furniture, telephone and television wiring, screens, locks, and security devices. When you move in, we'll supply light bulbs for fixtures we furnish, including exterior fixtures operated from inside the apartment; after that, you'll replace them at your expense with bulbs of the same type and wattage. Your improvements to the apartment (made with or without our consent) become ours unless we agree otherwise in writing.

**25.3 Fair Housing.** In accordance with fair-housing laws, we'll make reasonable accommodations to our rules, policies, practices, or services. We'll allow reasonable modifications under these laws to give disabled persons access to and use of this apartment community. We may require you to sign an addendum regarding the implementation of any accommodations or modifications, as well as your restoration obligations, if any.

**26. Requests, Repairs, and Malfunctions.**

**26.1 Written Requests Required.** *If you or any occupant needs to send a notice or request—for example, for repairs, installations, services, ownership disclosure, or security-related matters—it must be written, signed, and delivered to our designated representative in accordance with our policies* (except in case of fire, smoke, gas, explosion, overflowing sewage, uncontrollable running water, electrical shorts, crime in progress, or fair-housing accommodation or modification). Our written notes on your oral request do not constitute a written request from you. Our complying with or responding to any oral request regarding security or any other matter doesn't waive the strict requirement for written notices under this Lease.

**26.2 Required Notifications.** You must promptly notify us in writing of water leaks, mold, electrical problems, malfunctioning lights, broken or missing locks or latches, and other conditions that pose a hazard to property, health, or safety.

**26.3 Utilities.** We may change or install utility lines or equipment serving the apartment if the work is done reasonably without substantially increasing your utility costs. We may turn off equipment and interrupt utilities as needed to avoid property damage or to perform work. If utilities malfunction or are damaged by fire, water, or similar cause, you must notify our representative immediately.

**26.4 Casualty Loss and Equipment Repair.** We'll act with customary diligence to make repairs and reconnections, taking into consideration when casualty-insurance proceeds are received. Unless required by statute after a casualty loss, or during equipment repair, your rent will not abate in whole or in part. Air-conditioning problems are normally not emergencies. If air-conditioning or other equipment malfunctions, you must notify us as soon as possible on a business day.

**26.5 Our Right to Terminate.** If we believe that fire or catastrophic damage is substantial, or that performance of needed repairs poses a danger to you, we may terminate this Lease by giving you at least 5 days' written notice. We also have the right to terminate this Lease during the Lease term by giving you at least 30 days' written notice of termination if we are demolishing your apartment or closing it and it will no longer be used for residential purposes for at least 6 months. If the Lease is so terminated, we'll refund prorated rent and all deposits, less lawful deductions. We may also remove and dispose of personal property if we believe it causes a health or safety hazard.

**27. Animals.**

**27.1 No Animals Without Consent.** *No animals (including mammals, reptiles, birds, fish, rodents, amphibians, arachnids, and insects) are allowed, even temporarily, anywhere in the apartment or apartment community unless we've given written permission.* If we allow an animal, you must sign a separate animal addendum and, except as set forth in the addendum, pay an animal deposit. An animal deposit is considered a general security deposit. The animal addendum includes information governing animals, including assistance or service animals. We'll authorize an assistance or support animal for a disabled person without requiring an animal deposit. We may require verification of your disability and the need for such an animal. You must not feed stray or wild animals.

**27.2 Violations of Animal Policies.**

**(A) Charges for violations.** If you or any guest or occupant violates animal restrictions (with or without your knowledge), you'll be subject to charges, damages, eviction, and other remedies provided in this Lease. If you violate the animal restrictions or other animal

rules, you'll pay an initial charge of \$ 100.00 per animal (not to exceed \$100 per animal) and a daily charge of \$ 10.00 per animal (not to exceed \$10 per day per animal) from the date the animal was brought into your apartment until it is removed. If an animal has been in the apartment at any time during your term of occupancy (with or without our consent), you must pay for all cleaning and repair costs, including defleaing, deodorizing, and shampooing.

**(B) Removal and return of animal.** We may remove an unauthorized animal by (1) leaving, in a conspicuous place in the apartment, a written notice of our intent to remove the animal within 24 hours; and (2) following the procedures of Par. 28. We may keep or kennel the animal, or turn it over to a humane society, local authority or rescue organization. When keeping or kenneling an animal, we won't be liable for loss, harm, sickness, or death of the animal unless due to our negligence. You must pay for the animal's reasonable care and kenneling charges. We'll return the animal to you upon request if it has not already been turned over to a humane society, local authority or rescue organization.

**28. When We May Enter.** If you or any guest or occupant is present, then repairers, servicers, contractors, government representatives, lenders, appraisers, prospective residents or buyers, insurance agents, persons authorized to enter under your rental application, or our representatives may peacefully enter the apartment at reasonable times for reasonable business purposes. If nobody is in the apartment, then any such person may enter peacefully and at reasonable times by duplicate or master key (or by breaking a window or other means when necessary) for reasonable business purposes if written notice of the entry is left in a conspicuous place in the apartment immediately after the entry. Law officers with a search or arrest warrant or those in hot pursuit may be allowed to enter. We are under no obligation to enter only when you are present, and we may, but are under no obligation to, give prior notice or make appointments.

**29. Multiple Residents.** Each resident is jointly and severally liable for all Lease obligations. If you or any guest or occupant violates the Lease or rules, all residents are considered to have violated the Lease. Our requests and notices (including sale notices) to any resident constitute notice to all residents and occupants. Notices and requests from any resident or occupant constitute notice from all residents. Your notice of Lease termination may be given only by a resident. In eviction suits, each resident is considered the agent of all other residents in the apartment for service of process. Any resident who defaults under this Lease will indemnify the nondefaulting residents and their guarantors.

**Replacements**

**30. Replacements and Subletting.**

**30.1 When Allowed.** Replacing a resident, subletting, licensing or assigning a resident's rights is allowed **only when we consent in writing**. If a departing or remaining resident finds a replacement resident acceptable to us before moving out and we expressly consent to the replacement, subletting, or assignment, then:

- (a) a reletting charge will not be due;
- (b) a reasonable administrative (paperwork) fee will be due, and a rekeying fee will be due if rekeying is requested or required; **and**
- (c) the departing and remaining residents will remain liable for all Lease obligations for the rest of the original Lease term.

**30.2 Procedures for Replacement.** If we approve a replacement resident, then, at our option: (A) the replacement resident must sign this Lease with or without an increase in the total security deposit; or (B) the remaining and replacement residents must sign an entirely new Lease. Unless we agree otherwise in writing, the departing resident's security deposit will automatically transfer to the replacement resident as of the date we approve. The departing resident will no longer have a right to occupancy or to a security-deposit refund, but will remain liable for the remainder of the original Lease term unless we agree otherwise in writing—even if a new Lease is signed.

**30.3 Rental Prohibited.** You agree that you won't rent, or offer to rent or license all or any part of your apartment to anyone else unless otherwise agreed to by us in writing. You agree that you won't accept anything of value from anyone else for the use of any part of your apartment. You agree not to list any part of your apartment on any lodging rental website or with any person or service that advertises dwellings for rent.

# Responsibilities of Owner and Resident

## 31. Our Responsibilities.

**31.1 Generally.** We'll act with customary diligence to:

- (a) keep common areas reasonably clean, subject to Par. 25;
- (b) maintain fixtures, hot water, heating, and air-conditioning equipment;
- (c) substantially comply with all applicable laws regarding safety, sanitation, and fair housing; **and**
- (d) make all reasonable repairs, subject to your obligation to pay for damages for which you're liable.

The time, manner, method and means of performing maintenance and repairs, including whether or which vendors to use, are within our sole discretion.

**31.2 Your Remedies.** *If we violate any of the above, you may possibly terminate this Lease and exercise other remedies under Texas Property Code Sec. 92.056 by following this procedure:*

- (a) all rent must be current, and you must make a written request for repair or remedy of the condition—after which we'll have a reasonable time for repair or remedy;
- (b) if we fail to do so, you must make a second written request for the repair or remedy (to make sure that there has been no miscommunication between us)—after which we'll have a reasonable time to repair or remedy; **and**
- (c) if the repair or remedy still hasn't been accomplished within that reasonable time period, you may immediately terminate this Lease by giving us a final written notice.

**You also may exercise other statutory remedies, including those under Texas Property Code sec. 92.0561.**

**31.3 Request by Mail.** Instead of giving the two written requests referred to above, you may give us one request by certified mail, return receipt requested, by registered mail, or by any trackable mail or delivery method through the postal service or a private delivery service—after which we'll have a reasonable time to repair or remedy. "Reasonable time" accounts for the nature of the problem and the reasonable availability of materials, labor, and utilities. Your rent must be current when you make any request. We'll refund security deposits and prorated rent as required by law.

## 32. Default by Resident.

**32.1 Acts of Default.** You'll be in default if: (A) you don't timely pay rent or other amounts you owe; (B) you or any guest or occupant violates this Lease, apartment rules, or fire, safety, health, or criminal laws, regardless of whether or where arrest or conviction occurs; (C) you abandon the apartment; (D) you give incorrect or false answers in a rental application; (E) you or any occupant is arrested, charged, detained, convicted, or given deferred adjudication or pretrial diversion for (1) an offense involving actual or potential physical harm to a person, or involving the manufacture or delivery of a controlled substance, marijuana, or drug paraphernalia as defined in the Texas Controlled Substances Act, or (2) any sex-related crime, including a misdemeanor; (F) any illegal drugs or paraphernalia are found in your apartment; or (G) you or any occupant, in bad faith, makes an invalid habitability complaint to an official or employee of a utility company or the government.

**32.2 Eviction.** *If you default or hold over, we may end your right of occupancy by giving you at least a 24-hour written notice to vacate.* Notice may be given by: (A) regular mail; (B) certified mail, return receipt requested; (C) personal delivery to any resident; (D) personal delivery at the apartment to any occupant over 16 years old; (E) affixing the notice to the inside of the apartment's main entry door; or (F) securely affixing the notice to the outside of the apartment's main entry door as allowed by law. Notice by mail under (A) or (B) will be considered delivered on the earlier of actual delivery, or 3 days after the notice is deposited in the U.S. Postal Service with postage. Termination of your possession rights or a later reletting doesn't release you from liability for future rent or other Lease obligations. **After giving notice to vacate or filing an eviction suit, we may still accept rent or other sums due;** the filing or acceptance doesn't waive or diminish our right of eviction or any other contractual or statutory right. Accepting money at any time doesn't waive our right to damages, to past or future rent or other sums, or to our continuing with eviction proceedings. **In an eviction, rent is owed for the full rental period and will not be prorated.**

**32.3 Acceleration.** Unless we elect not to accelerate rent, all monthly rent for the rest of the Lease term or renewal period will be accelerated automatically without notice or demand (before or after acceleration) and will be immediately due and delinquent if, without our written consent: (A) you move out, remove property in preparing to move

out, or you or any occupant gives oral or written notice of intent to move out before the Lease term or renewal period ends; and (B) you haven't paid all rent for the entire Lease term or renewal period. Such conduct is considered a default for which we need not give you notice. Remaining rent will also be accelerated if you're judicially evicted or move out when we demand because you've defaulted. Acceleration is subject to our mitigation obligations below.

**32.4 Holdover.** You or any occupant, invitee, or guest must not hold over beyond the date contained in your move-out notice or our notice to vacate (or beyond a different move-out date agreed to by the parties in writing). If a holdover occurs, then (A) holdover rent is due in advance on a daily basis and may become delinquent without notice or demand; (B) rent for the holdover period will be increased by 25% over the then-existing rent, without notice; (C) you'll be liable to us (subject to our mitigation duties) for all rent for the full term of the previously signed Lease of a new resident who can't occupy because of the holdover; and (D) at our option, we may extend the Lease term—for up to one month from the date of notice of Lease extension—by delivering written notice to you or your apartment while you continue to hold over.

**32.5 Other Remedies.** We may report unpaid amounts to credit agencies as allowed by law. If we or our debt collector tries to collect any money you owe us, you agree that we or the debt collector may contact you by any legal means, including texting, calling your cell phone, and using an automated dialer. If you default, you will pay us, in addition to other sums due, any amounts stated to be rental discounts or concessions agreed to in writing. Upon your default, we have all other legal remedies, including Lease termination and statutory lockout under Texas Property Code sec. 92.0081, **except as lockouts and liens are prohibited by Texas Government Code sec. 2306.6738 for owners supported by housing-tax-credit allocations.** A prevailing party may recover reasonable attorney's fees and all other litigation costs from the nonprevailing parties, except a party may not recover attorney's fees and litigation costs in connection with a party's claims seeking personal-injury, sentimental, exemplary or punitive damages. We may recover attorney's fees in connection with enforcing our rights under this Lease. All unpaid amounts you owe, including judgments, bear 18% interest per year from the due date, compounded annually. You must pay all collection-agency fees if you fail to pay sums due within 10 days after we mail you a letter demanding payment and stating that collection-agency fees will be added if you don't pay all sums by that deadline.

**32.6 Mitigation of Damages.** If you move out early, you'll be subject to Par. 10 and all other remedies. We'll exercise customary diligence to relet and minimize damages. We'll credit all later rent that we actually receive from subsequent residents against your liability for past-due and future rent and other sums due.

# General Clauses

## 33. Other Important Provisions.

**33.1 Representatives' Authority; Waivers; Notice.** *Our representatives (including management personnel, employees, and agents) have no authority to waive, amend, or terminate this Lease or any part of it unless in writing, and no authority to make promises, representations, or agreements that impose security duties or other obligations on us or our representatives, unless in writing.* Any dimensions and sizes provided to you relating to the apartment are only approximations or estimates; actual dimensions and sizes may vary. No action or omission by us will be considered a waiver of our rights or of any subsequent violation, default, or time or place of performance. **Our choice to enforce, not enforce or delay enforcement of written-notice requirements, rental due dates, acceleration, liens, or other rights isn't a waiver under any circumstances.** Except when notice or demand is required by law, you waive any notice and demand for performance from us if you default. If anyone else has guaranteed performance of this Lease, a separate Lease Guaranty for each guarantor must be executed. Written notice to or from our managers constitutes notice to or from us. Any person giving a notice under this Lease should keep a copy or record of it. Fax or electronic signatures are binding. All notices must be signed. Notice may be given electronically **by us to you** if allowed by law. If allowed by law and in accordance with our policies, electronic notice **from you to us** must be addressed to the email address we provide for notice purposes or submitted through an online portal.



**33.2 Miscellaneous.** All remedies are cumulative. Exercising one remedy won't constitute an election or waiver of other remedies. All provisions regarding our nonliability or non-duty apply to our employees, agents, and management companies. No employee, agent, or management company is personally liable for any of our contractual, statutory, or other obligations merely by virtue of acting on our behalf. This Lease binds subsequent owners. This Lease is subordinate to existing and future recorded mortgages, unless the owner's lender chooses otherwise. All Lease obligations must be performed in the county where the apartment is located. If you have insurance covering the apartment or your personal belongings at the time you or we suffer or allege a loss, you agree to waive any insurance subrogation rights. All notices and documents may be in English and, at our option, in any other language that you read or speak. The term "including" in this Lease should be interpreted to mean "including but not limited to."

**33.3 Severability.** If any provision of this Lease is invalid or unenforceable under applicable law, it won't invalidate the remainder of the Lease or change the intent of the parties. Neither an invalid clause nor the omission of initials on any page invalidates this Lease.

**34. Payments.** Payment of each sum due is an independent covenant. When we receive money, other than sale proceeds under Par. 14 or water payments subject to government regulation, we may apply it at our option and without notice first to any of your unpaid obligations, then to current rent. We may do so regardless of notations on checks or money orders and regardless of when the obligations arose. All sums other than rent and late charges are due upon our demand. After the due date, we do not have to accept any payments.

**35. TAA Membership.** We represent that, at the time of signing this Lease, we, the management company representing us, or any locator service that procured you is a member in good standing of both the Texas Apartment Association and the affiliated local apartment association for the area where the apartment is located. The member is either an owner/management-company member or an associate member doing business as a locator service (whose name and address must be disclosed on page 8). If not, the following applies: (A) this Lease is voidable at your option and is unenforceable by us (except for property damages); and (B) we may not recover past or future rent or other charges. The above remedies also apply if both of the following occur: (1) the Lease is automatically renewed on a month-to-month basis more than once after membership in TAA and the local association has lapsed; and (2) neither the owner nor the management company is a member of TAA and the local association during the third automatic renewal. A signed affidavit from the affiliated local apartment association attesting to nonmembership when the Lease or renewal was signed will be conclusive evidence of nonmembership. Governmental entities may use TAA forms if TAA agrees in writing.

**When Moving Out**

**36. Move-Out Notice.**

**36.1 Requirements and Compliance.** Your move-out notice doesn't release you from liability for the full term of the Lease or renewal term. You'll still be liable for the entire Lease term if you move out early except under Par. 9, 17, 22, 23, or 31. **Your move-out notice must comply with each of the following:**

- (a) We must receive advance written notice of your move-out date. You must give notice in advance by at least the number of days required in Par. 3 or in special provisions—even if the Lease has become a month-to-month lease. Unless we require more than 30 days' notice, if you give notice on the first day of the month you intend to move out, it will suffice for move-out on the last day of that month, as long as all other requirements below are met.
- (b) Your move-out notice must be in writing. An oral move-out notice will not be accepted and will not terminate your Lease.
- (c) Your move-out notice must not terminate the Lease sooner than the end of the Lease term or renewal period.
- (d) If we require you to give us more than 30 days' written notice to move out before the end of the Lease term, we will give you 1 written reminder not less than 5 days nor more than 90 days before your deadline for giving us your written move-out notice. If we fail to give a reminder notice, 30 days' written notice to move-out is required.

**36.2 Unacceptable Notice.** **Your notice is not acceptable if it doesn't comply with all of the above.** We recommend that you use our written move-out form to ensure that you provide all the information needed. You must get from us a written acknowledgment of your notice. If we fail to give a reminder notice, 30 days' written notice to move out is required. If we terminate the Lease, we must give you the same advance notice—unless you are in default.

**37. Move-Out Procedures.** The move-out date can't be changed unless we and you both agree in writing. You won't move out before the Lease term or renewal period ends unless all rent for the entire Lease term or renewal period is paid in full. Early move-out may result in reletting charges and acceleration of future rent under Par. 10 and 32. You're prohibited by law from applying any security deposit to rent. You can't stay beyond the date you're supposed to move out. All residents, guests, and occupants must surrender or abandon the apartment before the 30-day period for deposit refund begins. You must give us and the U.S. Postal Service, in writing, each resident's forwarding address.

**38. Cleaning.** You must thoroughly clean the apartment, including doors, windows, furniture, bathrooms, kitchen appliances, patios, balconies, garages, carports, and storage rooms. You must follow move-out cleaning instructions if they have been provided. If you don't clean adequately, you'll be liable for reasonable cleaning charges—including charges for cleaning carpets, draperies, furniture, walls, etc. that are soiled beyond normal wear (that is, wear or soiling that occurs without negligence, carelessness, accident, or abuse).

**39. Move-Out Inspection.** You should meet with our representative for a move-out inspection. Our representative has no authority to bind or limit us regarding deductions for repairs, damages, or charges. Any statements or estimates by us or our representative are subject to our correction, modification, or disapproval before final accounting or refunding.

**40. Security Deposit Deductions and Other Charges.** You'll be liable for the following charges, if applicable: unpaid rent; unpaid utilities; unreimbursed service charges; repairs or damages caused by negligence, carelessness, accident, or abuse, including stickers, scratches, tears, burns, stains, or unapproved holes; replacement cost of our property that was in or attached to the apartment and is missing; replacing dead or missing alarm or detection-device batteries at any time; utilities for repairs or cleaning; trips to let in company representatives to remove your telephone, Internet, television services, or rental items (if you so request or have moved out); trips to open the apartment when you or any guest or occupant is missing a key; unreturned keys; missing or burned-out light bulbs; removing or rekeying unauthorized security devices or alarm systems; agreed reletting charges; packing, removing, or storing property removed or stored under Par. 14; removing illegally parked vehicles; special trips for trash removal caused by parked vehicles blocking dumpsters; false security-alarm charges unless due to our negligence; animal-related charges under Par. 6 and 27; government fees or fines against us for violation (by you, your occupants, or your guests) of local ordinances relating to alarms and detection devices, false alarms, recycling, or other matters; late-payment and returned-check charges; a charge (not to exceed \$150) for our time and inconvenience in our lawful removal of an animal or in any valid eviction proceeding against you, plus attorney's fees, court costs, and filing fees actually paid; and other sums due under this Lease. You'll be liable to us for: (A) charges for replacing any keys and access devices referenced in Par. 5 if you don't return them all on or before your actual move-out date; (B) accelerated rent if you've violated Par. 32; and (C) a reletting fee if you've violated Par. 10. **We may also deduct from your security deposit our reasonable costs incurred in rekeying security devices required by law if you vacate the apartment in breach of this Lease.**

**41. Deposit Return, Surrender, and Abandonment.**

**41.1 Your Deposit.** We'll mail you your security-deposit refund (less lawful deductions) and an itemized accounting of any deductions, no later than 30 days after surrender or abandonment, unless laws provide otherwise.

**41.2 Surrender.** You have **surrendered** the apartment when: (A) the move-out date has passed and no one is living in the apartment in our reasonable judgment; **or** (B) apartment keys and access devices listed in Par. 5 have been turned in to us—whichever happens first.

**41.3 Abandonment.** You have **abandoned** the apartment when all of the following have occurred: (A) everyone appears to have moved out in our reasonable judgment; (B) clothes, furniture, and personal belongings have been substantially removed in our reasonable judgment; (C) you've been in default for nonpayment of rent for 5 consecutive days, or water, gas, or electric service for the apartment not connected in our name has been terminated or transferred; **and** (D) you've not responded for 2 days to our notice left on the inside of the main entry door stating that we consider the apartment abandoned. An apartment is also considered abandoned 10 days after the death of a sole resident.

**41.4 The Ending of Your Rights.** Surrender, abandonment, or judicial eviction ends your right of possession for all purposes and gives us the immediate right to clean up, make repairs in, and relet the apartment; determine any security-deposit deductions; and remove property left in the apartment. Surrender, abandonment, and judicial eviction affect your rights to property left in the apartment (Par. 14), but don't affect our mitigation obligations (Par. 32).



SUMMARY OF KEY INFORMATION

The Lease will control if there's a conflict with this summary.

■ Address: 2252 Ridgmar Plaza

■ Beginning date of Lease (Par. 3) 09/01/2019

■ Number of days notice for termination (Par. 3) 60

■ Total security deposit (Par. 4) \$ 150.00

■ Security deposit (Par. 4) ☐ does **OR** ☒ does not include an animal deposit.

■ Security deposit refund check will be by (Par. 4) **(check one)** ☐ one check jointly payable to all residents (default), **OR** ☒ one check payable to and mailed to Head of Household

■ # of keys/access devices (Par. 5) for 2 unit, 1 mailbox,      other

■ Your move-out notice will terminate Lease on (Par. 5): **(check one)** ☐ last day of month **OR** ☒ exact day designated in notice

■ Check here ☐ if the dwelling is to be furnished (Par. 5) ☐ Check here ☐ if there is a concession addendum

■ Rent to be paid (Par. 6): **(check all that apply)** ☒ at the onsite manager's office, ☒ through our online payment site, **OR** ☐ at

■ Check here if included in monthly rent: ☐ garage, ☐ storage, ☐ carport, ☐ washer/dryer, or ☐ other

■ Total monthly rent (Par. 6) \$ 805.00

■ Late charges if rent is not paid on or before (Par. 6) 3rd

■ Initial late charge (Par. 6) \$ 50.00 or 10 %

■ Returned-check charge (Par. 6) \$ 50.00

■ Monthly animal rent (if any) \$ 15.00

■ Monthly pest control (if any) \$ 3.00

■ Utilities paid by owner (Par. 7): **(check all that apply)** ☒ electricity, ☒ gas, ☒ water, ☒ wastewater, ☒ trash/recycling, ☐ cable/satellite, ☐ master antenna, ☐ Internet, ☒ stormwater/drainage, ☒ other **Above billed to you**

■ Utility connection charge (Par. 12) \$

■ Agreed reletting charge (Par. 10) \$ 684.25

■ Special provisions (Par. 9): NO checks accepted after the 3rd of the month.

■ Ending date of Lease (Par. 3) 09/30/2020

■ Consent for guests staying more than 3 days (Par. 2)

■ Animal deposit (if any) \$ 150.00

■ Prorated rent (Par. 6) for **(check one)** ☐ first month **OR** ☐ second month \$

■ Daily late charge (Par. 6) \$ 10.00 or      %

■ Animal violation charges (Par. 27)  
Initial \$ 100.00 Daily \$ 10.00

■ Monthly trash / waste (if any) \$ 18.00

■ You are: **(check one)** ☐ required to buy insurance **OR** ☒ not required to buy insurance (Par. 8)

Signatures and Attachments

**42. Attachments.** We will provide you with a copy of the Lease as required by statute. This may be in paper format, in an electronic format if you request it, or by e-mail if we have communicated by e-mail about this Lease. Our rules and community policies, if any, will be attached to the Lease and given to you at signing. When an Inventory and Condition form is completed, both you and we should retain a copy. The items checked below are attached to and become a part of this Lease and are binding even if not initialed or signed.

☐ Access Gate Addendum

☐ Additional Special Provisions

☒ Allocation Addendum for: ☒ electricity ☒ water ☒ gas

☐ central system costs ☐ trash/recycling ☐ cable/satellite

☒ stormwater/drainage ☐ services/government fees

☐ Animal Addendum

☐ Apartment Rules or Community Policies

☒ Asbestos Addendum (if asbestos is present)

☒ Bed Bug Addendum

☐ Early Termination Addendum

☐ Enclosed Garage, Carport, or Storage Unit Addendum

☐ Intrusion Alarm Addendum

☐ Inventory & Condition Form

☒ Lead Hazard Information and Disclosure Addendum

☐ Lease Contract Addendum for Units Participating in Government Regulated Affordable Housing Programs

☐ Lease Contract Guaranty (guaranties, if more than one)

☐ Legal Description of Apartment (optional, if rental term longer than one year)

☐ Military SCRA Addendum

☒ Mold Information and Prevention Addendum

☐ Move-Out Cleaning Instructions

☐ Notice of Intent to Move Out Form

☐ Parking Permit or Sticker (quantity:     )

☐ Rent Concession Addendum

☐ Renter's or Liability Insurance Addendum

☐ Repair or Service Request Form

☒ Satellite Dish or Antenna Addendum

☒ Security Guidelines Addendum

☐ PUC Tenant Guide to Water Allocation

☐ Utility Submetering Addendum: ☐ electricity ☐ water

☐ gas

☐ Other

☐ Other

☐ Other

☐ Other

Name, address and telephone number of locator service (if applicable —must be completed to verify TAA membership under Par. 35):

After-hours phone number (817) 731-1261  
(Always call 911 for police, fire, or medical emergencies.)

Date form is filled out (same as on top of page 1) 08/28/2019

Your Initials: DA

**43. Class Action Waiver.** You agree that you will not participate in any class action claims against us or our representatives. You must file any claim against us individually, and **you expressly waive your ability to bring, represent, join or otherwise maintain a class action, collective action or similar proceeding against us in any forum.**

YOU UNDERSTAND THAT, WITHOUT THIS WAIVER, YOU COULD BE A PARTY IN A CLASS ACTION LAWSUIT. BY SIGNING THIS LEASE, YOU ACCEPT THIS WAIVER AND CHOOSE TO HAVE ANY CLAIMS DECIDED INDIVIDUALLY. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS PAR. 43 SHALL SURVIVE THE TERMINATION OR EXPIRATION OF THIS LEASE.

Resident initials: DA

**You are legally bound by this document. Please read it carefully. A facsimile or electronic signature on this Lease is as binding as an original signature.**

**Before submitting a rental application or signing a Lease, you may take a copy of these documents to review and/or consult an attorney. Additional provisions or changes may be made in the Lease if agreed to in writing by all parties.**

**You are entitled to receive a copy of this Lease after it is fully signed. Keep it in a safe place. This lease is the entire agreement between you and us. You are NOT relying on any oral representations.**

**Resident or Residents** (all sign below)

Deric Johnson

(Name of Resident)

08/28/2019

Date signed

(Name of Resident)

Date signed

(Name of Resident)

Date signed

(Name of Resident)

Date signed

(Name of Resident)

Date signed

(Name of Resident)

Date signed

**Owner or Owner's Representative** (signing on behalf of owner)

Crystal Garza  
Address and phone number of owner's representative for notice purposes  
2200 Taxco Road  
Fort Worth, TX 76116  
(817) 731-1261

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Animal Addendum

Date of Lease: August 28, 2019  
(when the Lease is filled out)

Please note: We consider animals a serious responsibility and a risk to each resident in the dwelling. If you do not properly control and care for an animal, you'll be liable if it causes damage or disturbs other residents.

1. Dwelling Unit.

Unit # 58  
at 2252 Ridgmar Plaza (street address)  
in Fort Worth (city),  
Texas 76116 (zip code).

2. Lease Contract.

Lease Contract date: August 28, 2019  
Owner's name: Ridgmar Venture LLC  
  
  
Residents (list all residents): Deric Johnson

3. Conditional Authorization for Animal. You may keep the animal or animals described below in the dwelling until the Lease Contract expires. We may terminate this authorization sooner if your right of occupancy is lawfully terminated or if in our judgment you, your animal, your guest, or any occupant violates any of the rules in this addendum.

4. Animal Deposit. You must pay a one-time animal deposit of \$ 150.00 when you sign this addendum. This deposit adds to your total security deposit under the Lease Contract, and we consider that total balance a general security deposit for all purposes. Refund of the total security deposit is subject to the terms and conditions in the Lease Contract, and this animal-deposit portion of the total deposit is not separately refundable even if the animal is removed.

5. Assistance or Service Animals. When allowed by applicable laws, we may require written verification of or make other inquiries regarding the disability-related need for an assistance or service animal for a person with a disability. We will not charge an animal deposit, additional rent, or other fee for any authorized assistance or service animal. Except as provided by applicable law, all other provisions of this addendum apply to assistance or service animals.

6. Search and Rescue Dogs. We may ask the handler of a search and rescue dog for proof he or she is a person with a certification issued by a nationally recognized search and rescue agency before we authorize a search and rescue dog. If we authorize a search and rescue dog, we will not charge an animal deposit, additional rent or other fee for any such dog. Except as provided by applicable law, all other provisions of this addendum apply to search and rescue dogs.

7. Additional Monthly Rent. Your total monthly rent (as stated in the Lease Contract) will be increased by \$ 15.00.

8. Additional Fee. You must also pay a one-time nonrefundable fee of \$ 150.00 to keep the animal in the dwelling unit. The fee is due when you sign this addendum.

9. Liability Not Limited. The additional monthly rent and additional security deposit under this Animal Addendum do not limit residents' liability for property damage, cleaning, deodorization, defleaing, replacements, or personal injuries.

10. Description of Animal. You may keep only the animal or animals described below. You may not substitute any other animal. Neither you nor your guests or occupants may bring any other animal—mammal, reptile, bird, amphibian, fish, rodent, arachnid, or insect—into the dwelling or apartment community.

Animal's name: NO ANIMAL AT MOVE IN  
Type: \_\_\_\_\_  
Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

City of license: \_\_\_\_\_

License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last rabies shot: \_\_\_\_\_

Housebroken? \_\_\_\_\_

Animal owner's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Animal's name: \_\_\_\_\_

Type: \_\_\_\_\_

Breed: \_\_\_\_\_

Color: \_\_\_\_\_

Weight: \_\_\_\_\_

Age: \_\_\_\_\_

City of license: \_\_\_\_\_

License #: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of last rabies shot: \_\_\_\_\_

Housebroken? \_\_\_\_\_

Animal owner's name: \_\_\_\_\_

11. Special Provisions. The following special provisions control over any conflicting provisions of this addendum:

Pets must remain on a leash at all  
times. Please clean up after your pet.  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

12. Emergency. In an emergency involving an accident or injury to your animal, we have the right—but not the duty—to take the animal to the following veterinarian for treatment, at your expense.

Doctor: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( \_\_\_\_\_ ) \_\_\_\_\_

13. Animal Rules. You are responsible for the animal's actions at all times. You agree to follow these rules:

13.1 Shots and Licenses. The animal at all times must have current rabies shots and licenses required by law. You must show us evidence of the shots and licenses if we ask.

13.2 Disturbances. The animal must not disturb the neighbors or other residents, regardless of whether the animal is inside or outside the dwelling.

13.3 Housebreaking, Cages, Offspring. Dogs, cats, assistance or service animals, and search and rescue dogs must be housebroken. All other animals must be caged at all times. No animal offspring are allowed.

13.4 Indoor Waste Areas. Inside, the animal may urinate or defecate only in these designated areas: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13.5 Outdoor Waste Areas. Outside, the animal may urinate or defecate only in these designated areas: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

13.6 Tethering. Animals may not be tied to any fixed object anywhere outside the dwelling units, except in fenced yards (if any) for your exclusive use.

**17.1 Causes for Removal.** We can remove an animal under this paragraph if, in our sole judgment, you have:

- (A) abandoned the animal;
- (B) left the animal in the dwelling unit for an extended period of time without food or water;
- (C) failed to care for a sick animal;
- (D) violated our animal rules; *OR*
- (E) let the animal defecate or urinate where it's not allowed.

**22. General.** You acknowledge that no other oral or written agreement exists regarding animals. Except for any special provisions noted in paragraph 11 above, our representative has no authority to modify this addendum or the animal rules except in writing as described under paragraph 14. This Animal Addendum and the animal rules are considered part of the Lease Contract described above.

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## Asbestos Addendum

Date of Lease: August 28, 2019  
(when the Lease is filled out)

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the Lease Contract executed by you, the resident(s), on the dwelling you have agreed to rent. That dwelling is:

Apt. # 58 at Ridgmar Venture LLC

\_\_\_\_\_  
(name of apartments)

or other dwelling located at \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
(street address of house, duplex, etc.)

City/State where dwelling is located \_\_\_\_\_

2. **Asbestos.** In most dwellings which were built prior to 1981, asbestos was commonly used as a construction material. In various parts of your dwelling, asbestos materials may have been used in the original construction or in renovations prior to the enactment of federal laws which limit asbestos in certain construction materials.

3. **Federal Recommendations.** The United States Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) has determined that the mere presence of asbestos materials does not pose a health risk to residents and that such materials are safe so long as they are not dislodged or disturbed in a manner that causes the asbestos fibers to be released. Disturbances include sanding, scraping, pounding, or other techniques that produce dust and cause the asbestos particles to become airborne. The EPA does not require that intact asbestos materials be removed. Instead, the law simply requires that we take reasonable precautions to minimize the chance of damage or disturbance of those materials.

4. **Community Policies and Rules.** You, your families, other occupants, and guests must not disturb or attach anything to the walls, ceilings, floor tiles, or insulation behind the walls or ceilings in your dwelling unless specifically allowed in owner's rules or community policies that are separately attached to this Lease Contract. The foregoing prevails over other provisions of the Lease Contract to the contrary. Please report any ceiling leaks to management promptly so that pieces of acoustical ceiling material or ceiling tiles do not fall to the floor and get disturbed by people walking on the fallen material.

**Resident or Residents** (all sign below)

Deric Johnson 08/28/2019  
(Name of Resident) Date signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Resident) Date signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Resident) Date signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Resident) Date signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Resident) Date signed

\_\_\_\_\_  
(Name of Resident) Date signed

**Owner or Owner's Representative** (sign below)

Crystal Garza 09/05/2019  
Date signed

You are entitled to receive a copy of this Addendum after it is fully signed. Keep it in a safe place.

LEASE ADDENDUM FOR ALLOCATING WATER/WASTEWATER COSTS

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the TAA Lease Contract for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC Apartments in Fort Worth, Texas. The terms of this addendum will control if the terms of the Lease and this addendum conflict.
2. **Reason for allocation.** When water and wastewater bills are paid 100 percent by the property owner, residents have no incentive to conserve water. This results in a waste of our state's natural resources and adds to the overhead of the property—and that usually means higher rents. Allocation of water bills saves money for residents because it encourages them to conserve water and wastewater. We as owners also have incentive to conserve because we are required by law to pay a portion of the total water bill(s) for the entire apartment community.
3. **Your payment due date.** Payment of your allocated water/wastewater bill is due 16 days after the date it is postmarked or hand delivered to your apartment. You agree to mail or deliver payment to the place indicated on your bill so that payment is received no later than the due date. You will pay a late charge of 5 percent of your water/wastewater bill if we don't receive timely payment. If you are late in paying the water bill, we may not cut off your water; but we may immediately exercise all other lawful remedies, including eviction—just like late payment of rent.
4. **Allocation procedures.** Your monthly rent under the TAA Lease Contract does *not* include a charge for water and wastewater. Instead, you will be receiving a separate bill from us each month for such utilities. We may include this item as a separate and distinct charge as part of a multi-item bill. We will allocate the monthly mastermeter water/wastewater bill(s) for the apartment community, based on an allocation method approved by the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUC) and described below.
- The allocation method that we will use in calculating your bill is noted below and described in the following subdivision of Section 24.124 of the PUC rules (*check only one*):
- ☐ subdivision (i) actual occupancy;
  - ☐ subdivision (ii) ratio occupancy (PUC average for number of occupants in unit);
  - ☐ subdivision (iii) average occupancy (PUC average for number of bedrooms in unit);
  - ☒ subdivision (iv) combination of actual occupancy and square feet of the apartment; or
  - ☐ subdivision (v) submetered hot/cold water, ratio to total.
- The normal date on which the utility company sends its monthly bill to us for the water/wastewater mastermeter is about the \_\_\_\_\_ day of the month. Within 10 days thereafter, we will try to allocate that mastermeter bill among our residents by allocated billings.
5. **Common area deduction.** We will calculate your allocated share of the mastermetered water/wastewater bill according to PUC rules. Before calculating your portion of the bill, we will deduct for irrigation of landscaping and all other common area uses, as required by PUC rules. We will also deduct for any utility company base charges and customer service charges so that you won't be paying any part of such charges for vacant units. No administrative or other fees will be added to the total mastermeter water/wastewater bill(s) to be allocated unless expressly allowed by PUC rules. No other amounts will be included in the bill except your unpaid balances and any late fees you incur. If we fail to pay our mastermeter bill to the utility company on time and incur penalties or interest, no portion of such amounts will be included in your bill.
6. **Change of allocation formula.** The above allocation formula for determining your share of the mastermetered water/wastewater bill cannot be changed except as follows: (1) the new formula is one approved by the PUC; (2) you receive notice of the new formula at least 35 days before it takes effect; and (3) you agree to the change in a signed lease renewal or signed mutual agreement.
7. **Previous average.** As required under PUC rules, you are notified that the average monthly bill for all dwelling units in the previous calendar year was \$\_\_\_\_\_ per unit, varying from \$\_\_\_\_\_ to \$\_\_\_\_\_ for the lowest to highest month's bills for any unit in the apartment community for this period, if such information is available. The above amounts do not reflect future changes in utility company water rates, weather variations, total water consumption, residents' water consumption habits, etc.
8. **Right to examine records.** During regular weekday office hours, you may examine: (1) our water/wastewater bills from the utility company; (2) our calculations of your monthly allocations; and (3) any other information available to you under PUC rules. Please give us reasonable advance notice to gather the data. Any disputes relating to the computation of your bill will be between you and us.
9. **PUC.** Water allocation billing is regulated by the PUC. A copy of the rules is attached. This addendum complies with those rules.
10. **Conservation efforts.** We agree to use our best efforts to repair any water leaks inside or outside your apartment no later than 7 days after learning of them. You agree to use your best efforts to conserve water and notify us of leaks.

*Deric Johnson*  
Signatures of All Residents

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*Crystal Garza*  
Signature of Owner or Owner's Representative

August 28, 2019  
Date of TAA Lease Contract



**Water allocation and submetering is regulated by the Texas Public Utility Commission (PUC). In accordance with PUC rules, a copy of the applicable rules are provided to you below:**

**SUBCHAPTER H: WATER UTILITY SUBMETERING AND ALLOCATION**

**§24.121. General Rules and Definitions.**

- (a) Purpose and scope. The provisions of this subchapter are intended to establish a comprehensive regulatory system to assure that the practices involving submetered and allocated billing of dwelling units and multiple use facilities for water and sewer utility service are just and reasonable and include appropriate safeguards for tenants.
- (b) Application. The provisions of this subchapter apply to apartment houses, condominiums, multiple use facilities, and manufactured home rental communities billing for water and wastewater utility service on a submetered or allocated basis.
- (c) Definitions. The following words and terms, when used in this subchapter, have the following meanings, unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.
  - (1) Allocated utility service - Water or wastewater utility service that is master metered to an owner by a retail public utility and allocated to tenants by the owner.
  - (2) Apartment house - A building or buildings containing five or more dwelling units that are occupied primarily for nontransient use, including a residential condominium whether rented or owner occupied, and if a dwelling unit is rented, having rental paid at intervals of one month or longer.
  - (3) Customer service charge - A customer service charge is a rate that is not dependent on the amount of water used through the master meter.
  - (4) Dwelling unit - One or more rooms in an apartment house or condominium, suitable for occupancy as a residence, and containing kitchen and bathroom facilities; a unit in a multiple use facility; or a manufactured home in a manufactured home rental community.
  - (5) Dwelling unit base charge - A flat rate or fee charged by a retail public utility for each dwelling unit recorded by the retail public utility.
  - (6) Master meter - A meter used to measure, for billing purposes, all water usage of an apartment house, condominium, multiple use facility, or manufactured home rental community, including common areas, common facilities, and dwelling units.
  - (7) Manufactured home rental community - A property on which spaces are rented for the occupancy of manufactured homes for nontransient residential use and for which rental is paid at intervals of one month or longer.
  - (8) Multiple use facility - A commercial or industrial park, office complex, or marina with five or more units that are occupied primarily for nontransient use and are rented at intervals of one month or longer.
  - (9) Occupant - A tenant or other person authorized under a written agreement to occupy a dwelling.
  - (10) Owner - The legal titleholder of an apartment house, a manufactured home rental community, or a multiple use facility; a condominium association; or any individual, firm, or corporation that purports to be the landlord of tenants in an apartment house, manufactured home rental community, or multiple use facility.
  - (11) Point-of-use submeter - A device located in a plumbing system to measure the amount of water used at a specific point of use, fixture, or appliance, including a sink, toilet, bathtub, or clothes washer.
  - (12) Submetered utility service - Water utility service that is master metered for the owner by the retail public utility and individually metered by the owner at each dwelling unit; wastewater utility service based on submetered water utility service; water utility service measured by point-of-use submeters when all of the water used in a dwelling unit is measured and totaled; or wastewater utility service based on total water use as measured by point-of-use submeters.
  - (13) Tenant - A person who owns or is entitled to occupy a dwelling unit or multiple1 use facility unit to the exclusion of others and, if rent is paid, who is obligated to pay for the occupancy under a written or oral rental agreement.
  - (14) Utility service - For purposes of this subchapter, utility service includes only drinking water and wastewater.

**§24.122. Owner Registration and Records.**

- (a) Registration. An owner who intends to bill tenants for submetered or allocated utility service or who changes the method used to bill tenants for utility service shall register with the commission in a form prescribed by the commission.
- (b) Water quantity measurement. Except as provided by subsections (c) and (d) of this section, a manager of a condominium or the owner of an apartment house, manufactured home rental community, or multiple use facility, on which

construction began after January 1, 2003, shall provide for the measurement of the quantity of water, if any, consumed by the occupants of each unit through the installation of:

- (1) submeters, owned by the property owner or manager, for each dwelling unit or rental unit; or
- (2) individual meters, owned by the retail public utility, for each dwelling unit or rental unit.
- (c) Plumbing system requirement. An owner of an apartment house on which construction began after January 1, 2003, and that provides government assisted or subsidized rental housing to low or very low income residents shall install a plumbing system in the apartment house that is compatible with the installation of submeters for the measurement of the quantity of water, if any, consumed by the occupants of each unit.
- (d) Installation of individual meters. On the request by the property owner or manager, a retail public utility shall install individual meters owned by the utility in an apartment house, manufactured home rental community, multiple use facility, or condominium on which construction began after January 1, 2003, unless the retail public utility determines that installation of meters is not feasible. If the retail public utility determines that installation of meters is not feasible, the property owner or manager shall install a plumbing system that is compatible with the installation of submeters or individual meters. A retail public utility may charge reasonable costs to install individual meters.
- (e) Records. The owner shall make the following records available for inspection by the tenant or the commission or commission staff at the on-site manager's office during normal business hours in accordance with subsection (g) of this section. The owner may require that the request by the tenant be in writing and include:
  - (1) a current and complete copy of TWC, Chapter 13, Subchapter M;
  - (2) a current and complete copy of this subchapter;
  - (3) a current copy of the retail public utility's rate structure applicable to the owner's bill;
  - (4) information or tips on how tenants can reduce water usage;
  - (5) the bills from the retail public utility to the owner;
  - (6) for allocated billing:
    - (A) the formula, occupancy factors, if any, and percentages used to calculate tenant bills;
    - (B) the total number of occupants or equivalent occupants if an equivalency factor is used under §24.124(e)(2) of this title (relating to Charges and Calculations); and
    - (C) the square footage of the tenant's dwelling unit or rental space and the total square footage of the apartment house, manufactured home rental community, or multiple use facility used for billing if dwelling unit size or rental space is used;
  - (7) for submetered billing:
    - (A) the calculation of the average cost per gallon, liter, or cubic foot;
    - (B) if the unit of measure of the submeters or point-of-use submeters differs from the unit of measure of the master meter, a chart for converting the tenant's submeter measurement to that used by the retail public utility;
    - (C) all submeter readings; and
    - (D) all submeter test results;
  - (8) the total amount billed to all tenants each month;
  - (9) total revenues collected from the tenants each month to pay for water and wastewater service; and
  - (10) any other information necessary for a tenant to calculate and verify a water and wastewater bill.
- (f) Records retention. Each of the records required under subsection (e) of this section shall be maintained for the current year and the previous calendar year, except that all submeter test results shall be maintained until the submeter is permanently removed from service.
- (g) Availability of records
  - (1) If the records required under subsection (e) of this section are maintained at the on-site manager's office, the owner shall make the records available for inspection at the on-site manager's office within three days after receiving a written request.
  - (2) If the records required under subsection (e) of this section are not routinely maintained at the on-site manager's office, the owner shall provide copies of the records to the on-site manager within 15 days of receiving a written request from a tenant or the commission or commission staff.
  - (3) If there is no on-site manager, the owner shall make copies of the records available at the tenant's dwelling unit at a time agreed upon by the tenant

within 30 days of the owner receiving a written request from the tenant.

- (4) Copies of the records may be provided by mail if postmarked by midnight of the last day specified in paragraph (1), (2), or (3) of this subsection.

**§24.123. Rental Agreement.**

- (a) Rental agreement content. The rental agreement between the owner and tenant shall clearly state in writing:
- (1) the tenant will be billed by the owner for submetered or allocated utility services, whichever is applicable;
  - (2) which utility services will be included in the bill issued by the owner;
  - (3) any disputes relating to the computation of the tenant's bill or the accuracy of any submetering device will be between the tenant and the owner;
  - (4) the average monthly bill for all dwelling units in the previous calendar year and the highest and lowest month's bills for that period;
  - (5) if not submetered, a clear description of the formula used to allocate utility services;
  - (6) information regarding billing such as meter reading dates, billing dates, and due dates;
  - (7) the period of time by which owner will repair leaks in the tenant's unit and in common areas, if common areas are not submetered;
  - (8) the tenant has the right to receive information from the owner to verify the utility bill; and
  - (9) for manufactured home rental communities and apartment houses, the service charge percentage permitted under §24,1 24(d)(3) (related to Charges and Calculations) of this title that will be billed to tenants.
- (b) Requirement to provide rules. At the time a rental agreement is discussed, the owner shall provide a copy of this subchapter or a copy of the rules to the tenant to inform the tenant of his rights and the owner's responsibilities under this subchapter.
- (c) Tenant agreement to billing method changes. An owner shall not change the method by which a tenant is billed unless the tenant has agreed to the change by signing a lease or other written agreement. The owner shall provide notice of the proposed change at least 35 days prior to implementing the new method.
- (d) Change from submetered to allocated billing. An owner shall not change from submetered billing to allocated billing, except after receiving written approval from the commission after a demonstration of good cause and if the rental agreement requirements under subsections (a), (b), and (c) of this section have been met. Good cause may include:
- (1) equipment failures; or
  - (2) meter reading or billing problems that could not feasibly be corrected.
- (e) Waiver of tenant rights prohibited. A rental agreement provision that purports to waive a tenant's rights or an owner's responsibilities under this subchapter is void.

**§24.124. Charges and Calculations.**

- (a) Prohibited charges. Charges billed to tenants for submetered or allocated utility service may only include bills for water or wastewater from the retail public utility and must not include any fees billed to the owner by the retail public utility for any deposit, disconnect, reconnect, late payment, or other similar fees.
- (b) Dwelling unit base charge. If the retail public utility's rate structure includes a dwelling unit base charge, the owner shall bill each dwelling unit for the base charge applicable to that unit. The owner may not bill tenants for any dwelling unit base charges applicable to unoccupied dwelling units.
- (c) Customer service charge. If the retail public utility's rate structure includes a customer service charge, the owner shall bill each dwelling unit the amount of the customer service charge divided by the total number of dwelling units, including vacant units, that can receive service through the master meter serving the tenants.
- (d) Calculations for submetered utility service. The tenant's submetered charges must include the dwelling unit base charge and customer service charge, if applicable, and the gallonage charge and must be calculated each month as follows:
- (1) water utility service: the retail public utility's total monthly charges for water service (less dwelling unit base charges or customer service charges, if applicable), divided by the total monthly water consumption measured by the retail public utility to obtain an average water cost per gallon, liter, or cubic foot, multiplied by the tenant's monthly consumption or the volumetric rate charged by the retail public utility

to the owner multiplied by the tenant's monthly water consumption;

- (2) wastewater utility service: the retail public utility's total monthly charges for wastewater service (less dwelling unit base charges or customer service charges, if applicable), divided by the total monthly water consumption measured by the retail public utility, multiplied by the tenant's monthly consumption or the volumetric wastewater rate charged by the retail public utility to the owner multiplied by the tenant's monthly water consumption;
- (3) service charge for manufactured home rental community or the owner or manager of apartment house: a manufactured home rental community or apartment house may charge a service charge in an amount not to exceed 9% of the tenant's charge for submetered water and wastewater service, except when:
  - (A) the resident resides in a unit of an apartment house that has received an allocation of low income housing tax credits under Texas Government Code, Chapter 2306, Subchapter DD; or
  - (B) the apartment resident receives tenant-based voucher assistance under United States Housing Act of 1937 Section 8, (42 United States Code, § 1437f); and
- (4) final bill on move-out for submetered service: if a tenant moves out during a billing period, the owner may calculate a final bill for the tenant before the owner receives the bill for that period from the retail public utility. If the owner is billing using the average water or wastewater cost per gallon, liter, or cubic foot as described in paragraph (1) of this subsection, the owner may calculate the tenant's bill by calculating the tenant's average volumetric rate for the last three months and multiplying that average volumetric rate by the tenant's consumption for the billing period.
- (e) Calculations for allocated utility service.
  - (1) Before an owner may allocate the retail public utility's master meter bill for water and sewer service to the tenants, the owner shall first deduct:
    - (A) dwelling unit base charges or customer service charge, if applicable; and
    - (B) common area usage such as installed landscape irrigation systems, pools and laundry rooms, if any, as follows:
      - (i) if all common areas are separately metered or submetered, deduct the actual common area usage;
      - (ii) if common areas that are served through the master meter that provides water to the dwelling units are not separately metered or submetered and there is an installed landscape irrigation system, deduct at least 25% of the retail public utility's master meter bill;
      - (iii) if all water used for an installed landscape irrigation system is metered or submetered and there are other common areas such as pools or laundry rooms that are not metered or submetered, deduct at least 5% of the retail public utility's master meter bill; or
      - (iv) if common areas that are served through the master meter that provides water to the dwelling units are not separately metered or submetered and there is no installed landscape irrigation system, deduct at least 5% of the retail public utility's master meter bill.
  - (2) To calculate a tenant's bill:
    - (A) for an apartment house, the owner shall multiply the amount established in paragraph (1) of this subsection by:
      - (i) the number of occupants in the tenant's dwelling unit divided by the total number of occupants in all dwelling units at the beginning of the month for which bills are being rendered; or
      - (ii) the number of occupants in the tenant's dwelling unit using a ratio occupancy formula divided by the total number of occupants in all dwelling units at the beginning of the retail public utility's billing period using the same ratio occupancy formula to determine the total. The ratio occupancy formula will reflect what the owner believes more accurately represents the water use in units that are occupied by multiple tenants. The ratio occupancy formula that is used must assign a fractional portion per tenant of no less than that on the following scale:
        - (I) dwelling unit with one occupant = 1;
        - (II) dwelling unit with two occupants = 1.6;

- (III) dwelling unit with three occupants = 2.2; or
- (IV) dwelling unit with more than three occupants = 2.2 + 0.4 per each additional occupant over three; or
- (iii) the average number of occupants per bedroom, which shall be determined by the following occupancy formula. The formula must calculate the average number of occupants in all dwelling units based on the number of bedrooms in the dwelling unit according to the scale below, notwithstanding the actual number of occupants in each of the dwelling unit's bedrooms or all dwelling units:
  - (I) dwelling unit with an efficiency = 1;
  - (II) dwelling unit with one bedroom = 1.6;
  - (III) dwelling unit with two bedrooms = 2.8;
  - (IV) dwelling unit with three bedrooms = 4 + 1.2 for each additional bedroom; or
- (iv) a factor using a combination of square footage and occupancy in which no more than 50% is based on square footage. The square footage portion must be based on the total square footage living area of the dwelling unit as a percentage of the total square footage living area of all dwelling units of the apartment house; or
- (v) the individually submetered hot or cold water usage of the tenant's dwelling unit divided by all submetered hot or cold water usage in all dwelling units;
- (B) a condominium manager shall multiply the amount established in paragraph (1) of this subsection by any of the factors under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph or may follow the methods outlined in the condominium contract;
- (C) for a manufactured home rental community, the owner shall multiply the amount established in paragraph (1) of this subsection by:
  - (i) any of the factors developed under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph; or
  - (ii) the area of the individual rental space divided by the total area of all rental spaces; and
- (D) for a multiple use facility, the owner shall multiply the amount established in paragraph (1) of this subsection by:
  - (i) any of the factors developed under subparagraph (A) of this paragraph; or
  - (ii) the square footage of the rental space divided by the total square footage of all rental spaces.
- (3) If a tenant moves in or out during a billing period, the owner may calculate a bill for the tenant. If the tenant moves in during a billing period, the owner shall prorate the bill by calculating a bill as if the tenant were there for the whole month and then charging the tenant for only the number of days the tenant lived in the unit divided by the number of days in the month multiplied by the calculated bill. If a tenant moves out during a billing period before the owner receives the bill for that period from the retail public utility, the owner may calculate a final bill. owner may calculate the tenant's bill by calculating the tenant's average bill for the last three months and multiplying that average bill by the number of days the tenant was in the unit divided by the number of days in that month.
- (f) Conversion to approved allocation method. An owner using an allocation formula other than those approved in subsection (e) of this section shall immediately provide notice as required under §24.123(c) of this title (relating to Rental Agreement) and either:
  - (1) adopt one of the methods in subsection (e) of this section; or
  - (2) install submeters and begin billing on a submetered basis; or
  - (3) discontinue billing for utility services.

#### **§24.125. Billing.**

- (a) Monthly billing of total charges. The owner shall bill the tenant each month for the total charges calculated under §24.124 of this title (relating to Charges and Calculations). If it is permitted in the rental agreement, an occupant or occupants who are not residing in the rental unit for a period longer than 30 days may be excluded from the occupancy calculation and from paying a water and sewer bill for that period.
- (b) Rendering bill.
  - (1) Allocated bills shall be rendered as promptly as possible after the owner receives the retail public utility bill.
  - (2) Submeter bills shall be rendered as promptly as possible after the owner receives the retail public utility bill or according to the time schedule in

- the rental agreement if the owner is billing using the retail public utility's rate.
- (c) Submeter reading schedule. Submeters or point-of-use submeters shall be read within three days of the scheduled reading date of the retail public utility's master meter or according to the schedule in the rental agreement if the owner is billing using the retail public utility's rate.
- (d) Billing period.
  - (1) Allocated bills shall be rendered for the same billing period as that of the retail public utility, generally monthly, unless service is provided for less than that period.
  - (2) Submeter bills shall be rendered for the same billing period as that of the retail public utility, generally monthly, unless service is provided for less than that period. If the owner uses the retail public utility's actual rate, the billing period may be an alternate billing period specified in the rental agreement.
- (e) Multi-item bill. If issued on a multi-item bill, charges for submetered or allocated utility service must be separate and distinct from any other charges on the bill.
- (f) Information on bill. The bill must clearly state that the utility service is submetered or allocated, as applicable, and must include all of the following:
  - (1) total amount due for submetered or allocated water;
  - (2) total amount due for submetered or allocated wastewater;
  - (3) total amount due for dwelling unit base charge(s) or customer service charge(s) or both, if applicable;
  - (4) total amount due for water or wastewater usage, if applicable;
  - (5) the name of the retail public utility and a statement that the bill is not from the retail public utility;
  - (6) name and address of the tenant to whom the bill is applicable;
  - (7) name of the firm rendering the bill and the name or title, address, and telephone number of the firm or person to be contacted in case of a billing dispute; and
  - (8) name, address, and telephone number of the party to whom payment is to be made.
- (g) Information on submetered service. In addition to the information required in subsection (f) of this section, a bill for submetered service must include all of the following:
  - (1) the total number of gallons, liters, or cubic feet submetered or measured by point-of-use submeters;
  - (2) the cost per gallon, liter, or cubic foot for each service provided; and
  - (3) total amount due for a service charge charged by an owner of a manufactured home rental community, if applicable.
- (h) Due date. The due date on the bill may not be less than 16 days after it is mailed or hand delivered to the tenant, unless the due date falls on a federal holiday or weekend, in which case the following work day will be the due date. The owner shall record the date the bill is mailed or hand delivered. A payment is delinquent if not received by the due date.
- (i) Estimated bill. An estimated bill may be rendered if a master meter, submeter, or point-of-use submeter has been tampered with, cannot be read, or is out of order; and in such case, the bill must be distinctly marked as an estimate and the subsequent bill must reflect an adjustment for actual charges.
- (j) Payment by tenant. Unless utility bills are paid to a third-party billing company on behalf of the owner, or unless clearly designated by the tenant, payment must be applied first to rent and then to utilities.
- (k) Overbilling and underbilling. If a bill is issued and subsequently found to be in error, the owner shall calculate a billing adjustment. If the tenant is due a refund, an adjustment must be calculated for all of that tenant's bills that included overcharges. If the overbilling or underbilling affects all tenants, an adjustment must be calculated for all of the tenants' bills. If the tenant was undercharged, and the cause was not due to submeter or point-of-use submeter error, the owner may calculate an adjustment for bills issued in the previous six months. If the total undercharge is \$25 or more, the owner shall offer the tenant a deferred payment plan option, for the same length of time as that of the underbilling. Adjustments for usage by a previous tenant may not be back billed to a current tenant.
- (l) Disputed bills. In the event of a dispute between a tenant and an owner regarding any bill, the owner shall investigate the matter and report the results of the investigation to the tenant in writing. The investigation and report must be completed within 30 days from the date the tenant gives written notification of the dispute to the owner.
- (m) Late fee. A one-time penalty not to exceed 5% may be applied to delinquent accounts. If such a penalty is applied, the bill must indicate the amount due if the late penalty is incurred. No late penalty may be applied unless agreed to by the tenant in a written lease that states the percentage amount of such late penalty.



**§24.127. Submeters or Point-of-Use Submeters and Plumbing Fixtures.**

- (a) Submeters or point-of-use submeters
  - (1) Same type submeters or point-of-use submeters required. All submeters or point-of-use submeters throughout a property must use the same unit of measurement, such as gallon, liter, or cubic foot.
  - (2) Installation by owner. The owner shall be responsible for providing, installing, and maintaining all submeters or point-of-use submeters necessary for the measurement of water to tenants and to common areas, if applicable.
  - (3) Submeter or point-of-use submeter tests prior to installation. No submeter or point-of-use submeter may be placed in service unless its accuracy has been established. If any submeter or point-of-use submeter is removed from service, it must be properly tested and calibrated before being placed in service again.
  - (4) Accuracy requirements for submeters and point-of-use submeters. Submeters must be calibrated as close as possible to the condition of zero error and within the accuracy standards established by the American Water Works Association (AWWA) for water meters. Point-of-use submeters must be calibrated as closely as possible to the condition of zero error and within the accuracy standards established by the American Society of Mechanical Engineers (ASME) for point-of-use and branch-water submetering systems.
  - (5) Location of submeters and point-of-use submeters. Submeters and point-of-use submeters must be installed in accordance with applicable plumbing codes and AWWA standards for water meters or ASME standards for point-of-use submeters, and must be readily accessible to the tenant and to the owner for testing and inspection where such activities will cause minimum interference and inconvenience to the tenant.
  - (6) Submeter and point-of-use submeter records. The owner shall maintain a record on each submeter or point-of-use submeter which includes:
    - (A) an identifying number;
    - (B) the installation date (and removal date, if applicable);
    - (C) date(s) the submeter or point-of-use submeter was calibrated or tested;
    - (D) copies of all tests; and
    - (E) the current location of the submeter or point-of-use submeter.
  - (7) Submeter or point-of-use submeter test on request of tenant. Upon receiving a written request from the tenant, the owner shall either:
    - (A) provide evidence, at no charge to the tenant, that the submeter or point-of-use submeter was calibrated or tested within the

- preceding 24 months and determined to be within the accuracy standards established by the AWWA for water meters or ASME standards for point-of-use submeters; or
  - (B) have the submeter or point-of-use submeter removed and tested and promptly advise the tenant of the test results.
- (8) Billing for submeter or point-of-use submeter test.
  - (A) The owner may not bill the tenant for testing costs if the submeter fails to meet AWWA accuracy standards for water meters or ASME standards for point-of-use submeters. PROJECT NO. 42190 PROPOSAL FOR ADOPTION PAGE 345 OF 379.
  - (B) The owner may not bill the tenant for testing costs if there is no evidence that the submeter or point-of-use submeter was calibrated or tested within the preceding 24 months.
  - (C) The owner may bill the tenant for actual testing costs (not to exceed \$25) if the submeter meets AWWA accuracy standards or the point-of-use submeter meets ASME accuracy standards and evidence as described in paragraph (7)(A) of this subsection was provided to the tenant.
- (9) Bill adjustment due to submeter or point-of-use submeter error. If a submeter does not meet AWWA accuracy standards or a point-of-use submeter does not meet ASME accuracy standards and the tenant was overbilled, an adjusted bill must be rendered in accordance with §24.125(k) of this title (relating to Billing). The owner may not charge the tenant for any underbilling that occurred because the submeter or point-of-use submeter was in error.
- (10) Submeter or point-of-use submeter testing facilities and equipment. For submeters, an owner shall comply with the AWWA's meter testing requirements. For point-of-use meters, an owner shall comply with ASME's meter testing requirements.
- (b) Plumbing fixtures. After January 1, 2003, before an owner of an apartment house, manufactured home rental community, or multiple use facility or a manager of a condominium may implement a program to bill tenants for submetered or allocated water service, the owner or manager shall adhere to the following standards:
  - (1) Texas Health and Safety Code, §372.002, for sink or lavatory faucets, faucet aerators, and showerheads;
  - (2) perform a water leak audit of each dwelling unit or rental unit and each common area and repair any leaks found; and
  - (3) not later than the first anniversary of the date an owner of an apartment house, manufactured home rental community, or multiple use facility or a manager of a condominium begins to bill for submetered or allocated water service, the owner or manager shall:
    - (A) remove any toilets that exceed a maximum flow of 3.5 gallons per flush; and
    - (B) install toilets that meet the standards prescribed by Texas Health and Safety Code, §372.002.
- (c) Plumbing fixture not applicable. Subsection (b) of this section does not apply to a manufactured home rental community owner who does not own the manufactured homes located on the property of the manufactured home rental community.

LEASE ADDENDUM FOR SATELLITE DISH OR ANTENNA

Under a Federal Communications Commission (FCC) order, you as our resident have a right to install a transmitting or receiving satellite dish or antenna on the leased premises, subject to FCC limitations. We as a rental housing owner are allowed to impose reasonable restrictions relating to such installation. You are required to comply with these restrictions as a condition of installing such equipment. This addendum contains the restrictions that you and we agree to follow.

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the lease between you and us for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC Apartments in Fort Worth, Texas
- OR**
- the house, duplex, etc. located at (street address) \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, Texas.
2. **Number and size.** You may install 1 satellite dish(es) or antenna(s) on the leased premises. A satellite dish may not exceed one meter (3.3 feet) in diameter. Antennas that only transmit signals or that are not covered by 47 CFR §1.4000 are prohibited.
3. **Location.** Your satellite dish or antenna must be located: (1) inside your dwelling; or (2) in an area outside your dwelling such as a balcony, patio, yard, etc. of which you have exclusive use under your lease. Installation is not permitted on any parking area, roof, exterior wall, window, window sill, fence, or common area, or in an area that other residents are allowed to use. A satellite dish or antenna may not protrude beyond the vertical and horizontal space that is leased to you for your exclusive use.
4. **Safety and non-interference.** Your installation: (1) must comply with all applicable ordinances and laws and all reasonable safety standards; (2) may not interfere with our cable, telephone or electrical systems or those of neighboring properties; (3) may not be connected to our telecommunication systems; and (4) may not be connected to our electrical system except by plugging into a 110-volt duplex receptacle. If the satellite dish or antenna is placed in a permitted outside area, it must be safely secured by one of three methods: (1) securely attaching it to a portable, heavy object such as a small slab of concrete; (2) clamping it to a part of the building's exterior that lies within your leased premises (such as a balcony or patio railing); or (3) any other method approved by us in writing. No other methods are allowed. We may require reasonable screening of the satellite dish or antenna by plants, etc., so long as it does not impair reception.
5. **Signal transmission from exterior dish or antenna to interior of dwelling.** Under the FCC order, you may not damage or alter the leased premises and may not drill holes through outside walls, door jams, window sills, etc. If your satellite dish or antenna is installed outside your dwelling (on a balcony, patio, etc.), the signals received by it may be transmitted to the interior of your dwelling only by the following methods: (1) running a "flat" cable under a door jam or window sill in a manner that does not physically alter the premises and does not interfere with proper operation of the door or window; (2) running a traditional or flat cable through a pre-existing hole in the wall (that will not need to be enlarged to accommodate the cable); (3) connecting cables "through a window pane," similar to how an external car antenna for a cellular phone can be connected to inside wiring by a device glued to either side of the window—without drilling a hole through the window; (4) wireless transmission of the signal from the satellite dish or antenna to a device inside the dwelling; or (5) any other method approved by us in writing.
6. **Safety in installation.** In order to assure safety, the strength and type of materials used for installation must be approved by us. Installation must be done by a qualified person or company approved by us. Our approval will not be unreasonably withheld. An installer provided by the seller of the satellite dish or antenna is presumed to be qualified.
7. **Maintenance.** You will have the sole responsibility for maintaining your satellite dish, antenna, and all related equipment.
8. **Removal and damages.** You must remove the satellite dish or antenna and all related equipment when you move out of the dwelling. In accordance with TAA Lease Contract paragraph 41, you must pay for any damages and for the cost of repairs or repainting caused by negligence, carelessness, accident. or abuse which may be reasonably necessary to restore the leased premises to its condition prior to the installation of your satellite dish, antenna. or related equipment. You will not be responsible for normal wear and tear
9. **Liability insurance and indemnity.** You must take full responsibility for the satellite dish, antenna, and related equipment. If the dish or antenna is installed at a height or in some other way that could result in injury to others if it becomes unattached and falls, you must provide us with evidence of liability insurance to protect us against claims of personal injury and property damage to others, related to your satellite dish, antenna, and related equipment. The insurance coverage must be \$\_\_\_\_\_, which is an amount reasonably determined by us to accomplish that purpose. Factors affecting the amount of insurance include height of installation above ground level, potential wind velocities, risk of the dish/antenna becoming unattached and falling on someone, etc. You agree to hold us harmless and indemnify us against any of the above claims by others.
10. **Security deposit.** Your security deposit (in paragraph 4 of your Lease Contract) is increased by an additional reasonable sum of \$\_\_\_\_\_ ☐ effective at time of installation or ☐ effective within \_\_\_\_\_ days of installation to help protect us against possible repair costs, damages, or failure to remove the satellite dish, antenna and related equipment at time of move-out. Factors affecting any security deposit may vary, depending on: (1) how the dish or antenna is attached (nails, screws, lag bolts drilled into walls); (2) whether holes were permitted to be drilled through walls for the cable between the satellite dish and the TV; and (3) the difficulty and cost of repair or restoration after removal, etc. A security deposit increase does not imply a right to drill into or alter the leased premises.
11. **When you may begin installation.** You may start installation of your satellite dish, antenna, or related equipment only after you have: (1) signed this addendum; (2) provided us with written evidence of the liability insurance referred to in paragraph 9 of this addendum; (3) paid us the additional security deposit, if applicable, in paragraph 10; and (4) received our written approval, which may not be unreasonably withheld, of the installation materials and the person or company that will do the installation.
12. **Miscellaneous.** If additional satellite dishes or antennas are desired, an additional lease addendum must be executed.

*Deric Johnson*  
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Signatures of All Residents

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*Crystal Garza*  
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Signature of Owner or Owner's Representative

August 28, 2019  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of TAA Lease Contract

LEASE ADDENDUM FOR ALLOCATING TRASH REMOVAL AND RECYCLING COSTS

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the TAA Lease Contract for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC Apartments in Fort Worth, Texas.
- OR
- the house, duplex, etc. located at (street address) \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, Texas.
2. **Reason for allocation.** Our property receives a single bill for trash removal/recycling. In recent years, many trash haulers and recyclers have increased fees dramatically to keep pace with rising costs associated with landfills and environmental mandates. By allocating this bill, we hope to make residents more aware of the true costs of waste disposal and to help reduce, reuse and recycle, and in turn, lower both costs and the impact on our environment.
3. **Your payment due date.** Payment of your allocated trash removal and recycling bill is due 16 days after the date it is postmarked or hand delivered to your apartment. You agree to mail or deliver payment to the place indicated on your bill so that payment is received no later than the due date. There will be a late charge of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (not to exceed \$3) if we do not receive timely payment. If you are late in paying the trash removal/recycling bill, we may immediately exercise all lawful remedies under your lease contract, including eviction—just like late payment of rent.
4. **Allocation procedures.** Your monthly rent under the TAA Lease Contract does *not* include a charge for trash removal/recycling. Instead, you will be receiving a separate bill from us each month for trash removal/recycling. We may include this item as a separate and distinct charge as part of a multi-item bill.
- You agree to and we will allocate the monthly trash removal/recycling bill for the apartment community based on the allocation method checked below. (check only one)
- ☐ A percentage reflecting your apartment unit's share of the total square footage in the apartment community, i.e., your unit's square footage divided by the total square footage in all apartment units.
- ☐ A percentage reflecting your apartment unit's share of the total number of people living in the apartment community, i.e., the number of people living in your apartment divided by the total number of people living in the entire apartment community for the month. ("People" for this purpose are all residents and occupants listed in leases at the apartment community as having a right to occupy the respective units.)
- ☐ Half of your allocation will be based on your apartment unit's share of total square footage and half will be based on your share of total people living in the apartment community, as described above.
- ☒ Per dwelling unit
- ☐ Other formula (see attached page)
5. **Penalties and fees.** Only the total trash removal/recycling bill will be allocated. Penalties or interest for any late payment of the master trash removal/recycling bill by us will be paid for by us and will not be allocated. A nominal administrative fee of \$ 3.00 per month (not to exceed \$3) will be added to your bill for processing, billing and collecting.
- Your trash removal/recycling allocation bill may include state and local sales taxes as required by state law.
6. **Change of allocation formula.** The above allocation formula for determining your share of the trash removal/recycling costs cannot be changed except as follows: (1) you receive notice of the new formula at least 35 days before it takes effect; and (2) you agree to the change in a signed lease renewal or signed mutual agreement.
7. **Right to examine records.** You may examine the trash removal/recycling bill we receive from the trash utility and our calculations related to the monthly allocation of the trash recycling/removal bill during regular weekday office hours. Please give us reasonable advance notice to gather the data.

Deric Johnson  
Signatures of All Residents

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Crystal Garza  
Signature of Owner or Owner's Representative

August 28, 2019  
Date of TAA Lease Contract



LEASE ADDENDUM FOR ALLOCATING NATURAL GAS COSTS

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the TAA Lease Contract for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC Apartments in Fort Worth, Texas.  
The terms of this addendum will control if the terms of the Lease and this addendum conflict.
2. **Reason for allocation.** When natural gas bills are paid by the property owner, residents have no incentive to conserve gas and heat. This results in a waste of our state’s natural resources and adds to the overhead of the property—and that usually means higher rents. On the other hand, allocation of gas raises everyone’s awareness of the need to conserve gas and heat and to pay attention to the thermostat and heat loss through open doors or windows. It should therefore minimize the necessity for rent increases to cover wasteful practices of other residents regarding heating and gas consumption
3. **Your payment due date.** Payment of your allocated gas bill is due 16 days after the date it is postmarked or hand delivered to your apartment. You agree to mail or deliver payment to the place indicated on your bill so that payment is received no later than the due date. You will pay a late charge of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (not to exceed \$3) if we do not receive timely payment. If you are late in paying the gas bill, we may not cut off your gas; but we may immediately exercise all other lawful remedies, including eviction—just like late payment of rent.
4. **Allocation procedures.** Your monthly rent under the TAA Lease Contract does *not* include a charge for natural gas. Instead, you will be receiving a separate bill from us each month for gas. We may include this item as a separate and distinct charge as part of a multi-item bill.  
You agree to and we will allocate the monthly gas bill for the apartment community based on the allocation method checked below.
- ☐

A percentage reflecting your apartment unit’s share of the total square footage in the apartment community, i.e., your unit’s square footage divided by the total square footage in all apartment units.
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A percentage reflecting your apartment unit’s share of the total number of people living in the apartment community, i.e., the number of people living in your apartment divided by the total number of people living in the entire apartment community for the month. (“People” for this purpose are all residents and occupants listed in leases at the apartment community as having a right to occupy the respective units.)
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Half of your allocation will be based on your apartment unit’s share of total square footage and half will be based on your share of total people living in the apartment community, as described above.
- ☐

Per dwelling unit
- ☐

Other formula
5. **Common area deduction.** Only the total mastermeter gas bill will be allocated. Before the bill is allocated, a deduction of 5 percent will be made to cover estimated gas consumption in any common areas, such as: (1) gas dryers and room heating in laundry rooms; or (2) hot water heating for pools, spas or laundry rooms. Penalties or interest for any late payment of the mastermeter gas bill by us will be paid for by us and will not be allocated. A nominal administrative fee of \$ 3.00 per month (not to exceed \$3) will be added to your bill for processing, billing and/or collecting.
6. **Change of allocation formula.** The above allocation formula for determining your share of the natural gas bill cannot be changed except as follows: (1) you receive notice of the new formula at least 35 days before it takes effect; and (2) you agree to the change in a signed lease renewal or signed mutual agreement.
7. **Right to examine records.** You may examine our gas bills from the utility company and our calculations relating to the monthly allocation of the gas bills during regular weekday office hours. Please give us reasonable advance notice to gather the data.

*Deric Johnson*

Signatures of All Residents

*Crystal Garza*

Signature of Owner or Owner’s Representative

August 28, 2019

Date of TAA Lease Contract

LEASE ADDENDUM FOR RENT CONCESSION OR OTHER RENT DISCOUNT

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the TAA Lease Contract for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC Apartments in Fort Worth, Texas
- OR
- the house, duplex, etc. located at (street address) \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, Texas.
2. **Rent concession or discount.** As an incentive and bonus to you for signing the TAA Lease Contract, choosing our property, and agreeing to fulfill your obligations for the entire term of the TAA Lease Contract, you will receive a rent concession, *monthly discount*, or other discount described below. *[Check all that apply]*
- ☒ One-time concession. You will receive a one-time concession off the *market* rent as stated in Paragraph 6 of the TAA Lease Contract in the total amount of \$ 150.00. This concession will be credited to your rent due for the month(s) of September 2019
- ☐ Monthly discount. You will receive a monthly discount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ off of the *market* rent as stated in paragraph 6 of the TAA Lease Contract. Your discounted monthly rent will be \$ \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_ months.
- ☒ Other discount. You will receive the following discount off the *market* rent as stated in Paragraph 6 of the TAA Lease Contract: Waive \$75 administrative fee as part of move in special.
3. **Market rent.** The market rent for this dwelling is the rent stated in paragraph 6 of the TAA Lease Contract. You acknowledge that the market rent is a fair representation of what the specific dwelling would actually rent for at the time the TAA Lease Contract was negotiated and executed, and is reflective of the rent for a similar dwelling at comparable properties.
4. **Payment or repayment for early move out.** If you move out or terminate your TAA Lease Contract early, in violation of the TAA Lease Contract, this addendum will be *immediately terminated*.
- You can fulfill your obligations for rent due under the TAA Lease Contract by immediately paying us for all remaining months of rent owed until the end of the TAA Lease Contract term. Rent owed would be based on market rent as stated in paragraph 6 of the TAA Lease Contract.
- If you fail to pay all of your obligations for the rent due under the TAA Lease Contract, as stated above, then you will be required to immediately repay us the amounts of all ☐ concessions and/or ☐ discounts (*check those that apply*) that you actually received from us for the months you resided in your dwelling, in addition to all other sums due under the TAA Lease Contract for unauthorized surrender or abandonment by the resident (see TAA Lease Contract par. 41).
5. **Mitigation of Damages.** We will exercise customary diligence to relet and minimize damages. We will credit all subsequent rent that we actually receive from successor residents against all future rent paid by you to satisfy the terms of this addendum.
6. **Special provisions.** The following special provisions control over any conflicting provisions of this printed addendum or the TAA Lease Contract.
- In the event the lease is not fulfilled, all concessions will be charged back.
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Deric Johnson  
Signatures of All Residents

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Crystal Garza  
Signature of Owner or Owner's Representative

August 28, 2019  
Date of TAA Lease Contract

LEASE ADDENDUM FOR ALLOCATING STORMWATER/DRAINAGE COSTS

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the TAA Lease Contract for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC Apartments in Fort Worth, Texas. The terms of this addendum will control if the terms of the Lease and this addendum conflict.
2. **Reason for allocation.** Governmental entities impose stormwater/drainage fees to help pay for the cost of maintaining the infrastructure needed to prevent flooding and lessen the impact of pollution on our water system. These fees can be significant. Our property has chosen to allocate this fee so residents are more aware of the true costs associated with these fees and so it is not necessary to raise rents to keep pace with these fee increases.
3. **Your payment due date.** Payment of your allocated stormwater/drainage bill is due 16 days after the date it is postmarked or hand delivered to your apartment. You agree to mail or deliver payment to the place indicated on your bill so that payment is received no later than the due date. You will pay a late charge of 5 percent of your stormwater/drainage bill if we do not receive timely payment. If you are late in paying the stormwater/drainage bill, we may immediately exercise all lawful remedies under your lease contract, including eviction—just like late payment of rent.
4. **Allocation procedures.** Your monthly rent under the TAA Lease Contract does *not* include a charge for stormwater/drainage costs. Instead, you will be receiving a separate bill from us each month for stormwater/drainage. We may include this item as a separate and distinct charge as part of a multi-item bill.
- You agree to and we will allocate the monthly stormwater/drainage bill for the apartment community based on the allocation method checked below. (*check only one*)
- ☐ A percentage reflecting your apartment unit's share of the total square footage in the apartment community, i.e. your unit's square footage divided by the total square footage in all apartment units.
  - ☐ A percentage reflecting your apartment unit's share of the total number of people living in the apartment community, i.e. the number of people living in your apartment divided by the total number of people living in the entire apartment community for the month. ("People" for this purpose are all residents and occupants listed in leases at the apartment community as having a right to occupy the respective units).
  - ☒ Half of your allocation will be based on your apartment's share of total square footage and half will be based on your share of total people living in the apartment community, as described above.
  - ☐ Per dwelling unit
  - ☐ Other formula (*see attached page*)
5. **Penalties and fees.** Only the total stormwater/drainage bill will be allocated. Penalties or interest for any late payment of the master stormwater/drainage bill by us will be paid for by us and will not be allocated. A nominal administrative fee of \$ 3.00 per month (not to exceed \$3) will be added to your bill for processing, billing and/or collecting.
6. **Change of allocation formula.** The above allocation formula for determining your share of the stormwater/drainage bill cannot be changed except as follows: (1) you receive notice of the new formula at least 35 days before it takes effect; and (2) you agree to the change in a signed lease renewal or signed mutual agreement.
7. **Right to examine records.** You may examine our stormwater/drainage bills from the utility company, and our calculations relating to the monthly allocation of the stormwater/drainage bills during regular weekday office hours. Please give us reasonable advance notice to gather the data.

*Deric Johnson*  
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Signatures of All Residents  
  
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*Crystal Garza*  
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Signature of Owner or Owner's Representative

August 28, 2019  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Date of TAA Lease Contract



LEASE ADDENDUM FOR ALLOCATING SERVICES AND GOVERNMENTAL FEES

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the TAA Lease Contract for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC Apartments in Fort Worth, Texas. The terms of this addendum will control if the terms of the Lease and this addendum conflict.
2. **Reason for allocation.** Apartment owners receive bills for services provided to residents and charges for various governmental fees. These are direct costs that the apartment community incurs. In order to help control the cost of rent, we have chosen to allocate the services and governmental fees indicated below through an allocated bill using a standardized formula to distribute these costs fairly. While we may impose a nominal fee to help recover our costs in administering these bills, we do not add any other costs to these bills and make no profit off of them.
3. **Services and governmental fees allocated.** We will allocate the following services and governmental fees:

☐ Cable/satellite television

☐ Stormwater/drainage

☐ Trash removal/recycling

☐ Street repair/maintenance fee

☐ Emergency services fee

☐ Conservation district fee

☐ Inspection fee

☐ Registration/license fee

☒ Other Pest Control \$5.00/month

☐ Other \_\_\_\_\_

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4. **Your payment due date.** Payment of your allocated services and governmental fee bill is due 16 days after the date it is postmarked or hand delivered to your apartment. You agree to mail or deliver payment to the place indicated on your bill so that payment is received no later than the due date. You will pay a late charge of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (not to exceed \$3) if we do not receive timely payment. If you are late in paying the services and governmental fee bill, we may cut off services, as allowed by law, and we may immediately exercise all other lawful remedies, including eviction—just like late payment of rent.
5. **Allocation procedures.** Your monthly rent under the TAA Lease Contract does *not* include a charge for the services and governmental fees indicated above. Instead, you will be receiving a separate bill from us each month for these services and governmental fees. We may include these items as separate and distinct charges as part of a multi-item bill.

You agree to and we will allocate the indicated services and governmental fees for the apartment community based on the allocation method checked below: *(check only one)*

☐ A percentage reflecting your apartment unit's share of the total square footage in the apartment community, i.e., your unit's square footage divided by the total square footage in all apartment units.

☐ A percentage reflecting your apartment unit's share of the total number of people living in the apartment community, i.e., the number of people living in your apartment divided by the total number of people living in the entire apartment community for the month. ("People" for this purpose are all residents and occupants listed in leases at the apartment community as having a right to occupy the respective units).

☒ Half of your allocation will be based on your apartment unit's share of total square footage and half will be based on your share of total people living in the apartment community, as described above.

☐ Per dwelling unit

☐ Other formula *(see attached page)*
6. **Penalties and fees.** Only the total of the services and governmental fee bills will be allocated. Penalties or interest for any late payment of these bills by us will be paid for by us and will not be allocated. A nominal administrative fee of \$\_\_\_\_\_ per month (not to exceed \$3) will be added to your bill for processing, billing and/or collecting.
7. **Change of allocation formula.** The above allocation formula for determining your share of the services and governmental fee bills cannot be changed except as follows: (1) you receive notice of the new formula at least 35 days before it takes effect; and (2) you agree to the change in a signed lease renewal or signed mutual agreement.
8. **Right to examine records.** You may examine our service and governmental fee bills from the companies and governmental entities and our calculations relating to the monthly allocation of these bills during regular weekday office hours. Please give us reasonable advance notice to gather the data.

*Deric Johnson*  
Signatures of All Residents

*Crystal Garza*  
Signature of Owner or Owner's Representative

August 28, 2019  
Date of TAA Lease Contract

LEASE ADDENDUM FOR TRASH REMOVAL AND RECYCLING COSTS—FLAT FEE

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the TAA Lease Contract for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC Apartments in Fort Worth, Texas
- OR
- the house, duplex, etc. located at (street address) \_\_\_\_\_ in \_\_\_\_\_, Texas.
2. **Flat fee for trash/recycling costs.** Your monthly rent under the TAA Lease Contract does *not* include a charge for trash removal. Instead, you will be receiving a separate bill from us for such service. You agree to pay a monthly fee of \$ 18.00 for the removal of trash and/or recycling for the apartment community, plus a nominal administrative fee of \$ 3.00 per month (not to exceed \$3) for processing and billing.
- Your trash/recycling bill may include state and local sales taxes as required by state law.
3. **Payment due date.** Payment of your trash removal and recycling bill is due 16 days after the date it is postmarked or hand delivered to your apartment. We may include this item as a separate and distinct charge as part of a multi-item bill. You agree to mail or deliver payment to the place indicated on your bill so that payment is received no later than the due date. There will be a late charge of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ (not to exceed \$3) if we do not receive timely payment of your trash/recycling bill, but we are not obligated to accept late payment. If you are late in paying the trash removal/recycling bill, we may immediately exercise all lawful remedies under your lease contract, including eviction.

*Deric Johnson*  
Signatures of All Residents

*Crystal Garza*  
Signature of Owner or Owner's Representative

August 28, 2019  
Date of TAA Lease Contract

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LEASE ADDENDUM FOR ALLOCATING MASTERMETERED ELECTRICAL COSTS

1. **Addendum.** This is an addendum to the TAA Lease Contract for Apt. No. 58 in the Ridgmar Venture LLC in Fort Worth, Texas.  
The terms of this addendum will control if the terms of the Lease and this addendum conflict.
2. **Reason for allocation.** When mastermetered electrical bills are paid by the property owner, residents have no incentive to conserve electricity. This results in a waste of our state's natural resources and adds to the overhead of the property—and that usually means higher rents. On the other hand, allocation of electricity raises everyone's awareness of the need to conserve electricity and air conditioning and to pay attention to the thermostat and cool air loss through open doors or windows. It should therefore minimize the necessity for rent increases to cover wasteful practices of other residents regarding electrical consumption.
3. **Your payment due date.** Payment of your allocated electric bill is due 16 days after the date it is postmarked or hand delivered to your apartment. We may include this item as a separate and distinct charge as part of a multi-item bill. You agree to mail or deliver payment to the place indicated on your bill so that payment is received no later than the due date. You will pay a late charge of 5 percent of your electrical bill if we do not receive timely payment. If you are late in paying the electric bill, we may cut off your electricity pursuant to statutory procedures. We may also exercise all other lawful remedies, including eviction. If your electric service must be re-established after it is disconnected for nonpayment, we will also charge you a \$\_\_\_\_\_ reconnection fee (not to exceed \$10, based on our average cost to reconnect service).
4. **Allocation procedures.** You (the resident) and we (the owner) agree to the electricity allocation system described below. During the lease term, we are authorized to allocate the monthly mastermeter electrical bill(s) for the apartment community as set forth below. Your monthly rent under the TAA Lease Contract does *not* include a charge for electricity. Instead, you will be receiving a separate bill from us for electricity. Your monthly electricity bill will be based on one of the allocation formulas checked below (*check only one*):
- A percentage reflecting your apartment unit's share of the total square footage in the apartment community, i.e., your unit's square footage divided by the total square footage in all apartment units. That percent for your unit is \_\_\_\_\_ percent.
- If a formula other than the total square footage formula in the first checkbox of this paragraph is used, we have requested and received written approval from the PUC to use this formula. PUC rules already permit allocation based on square footage.
5. **Common area deduction.** Only the total mastermetered electrical bill will be allocated. Before the bill is allocated, a deduction of 5 percent will be made to cover estimated electricity consumption in any common areas such as electricity used in: (1) laundry rooms; (2) central hot water heating; (3) pools and spas; (4) outside lighting; and (5) any onsite management office. Penalties or interest for any late payment of the mastermetered electrical bill by us will be paid for by us and will not be allocated.
6. **Change of allocation formula.** The above allocation formula for determining your share of the mastermetered electricity bill cannot be changed except as follows: (1) the new formula is one approved by the PUC; (2) you receive notice of the new formula at least 90 days before it takes effect; and (3) you agree to the change in a signed lease renewal or signed mutual agreement.
7. **Previous average.** The average monthly bill for your apartment for the previous calendar year was \$\_\_\_\_\_, using the allocation formula checked above.
8. **Right to examine records.** You may examine our electrical bills from the utility company and our calculations relating to the monthly allocation of the electricity bills during regular weekday office hours. While it is not required, please give us reasonable advance notice to gather the data.
9. **Copy of PUC rules.** The Public Utility Commission (PUC) governs electrical allocation. We have attached a copy of the PUC electrical allocation rules with your TAA Lease Contract.

*Deric Johnson*  
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Signature of Owner or Owner's Representative  
  
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# E-SIGNATURE CERTIFICATE

This certificate details the actions recorded during the signing of this Document.



## DOCUMENT INFORMATION

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## PARTIES

### Deric Johnson

signer key: 0cc5efae71c137c7a72b9670ee8925e4  
IP address: 24.182.116.99  
signing method: Blue Moon eSignature Services  
authentication method: eSignature by email deric.johnson@theservicecompanies.com  
browser: Mozilla/5.0 (Windows NT 10.0; Win64; x64) AppleWebKit/537.36 (KHTML, like Gecko) Chrome/76.0.3809.132 Safari/537.36

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### Crystal Garza

signer key: 4d5e4cd396cead8039a78b10b6275db6  
IP address: 10.100.10.21  
signing method: Blue Moon eSignature Services  
authentication method: eSignature by email woodsmgr@simcmanagement.com  
browser: PHP 5.5.9-1ubuntu4.20/SOAP

*Crystal Garza*

(Manager)

## DOCUMENT AUDIT

1	08/28/19 06:12:06 PM CDT	Deric Johnson accepted Consumer Disclosure
2	08/28/19 06:13:30 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Lead Hazard Disclosure Addendum
3	08/28/19 06:13:36 PM CDT	Deric Johnson dated Lead Hazard Disclosure Addendum
4	08/28/19 06:13:58 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Bed Bug Addendum
5	08/28/19 06:14:00 PM CDT	Deric Johnson dated Bed Bug Addendum
6	08/28/19 06:14:44 PM CDT	Deric Johnson initialed Apartment Lease Form
7	08/28/19 06:14:51 PM CDT	Deric Johnson initialed Apartment Lease Form
8	08/28/19 06:14:56 PM CDT	Deric Johnson initialed Apartment Lease Form
9	08/28/19 06:15:01 PM CDT	Deric Johnson initialed Apartment Lease Form
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14	08/28/19 06:15:37 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Apartment Lease Form
15	08/28/19 06:15:40 PM CDT	Deric Johnson dated Apartment Lease Form
16	08/28/19 06:15:45 PM CDT	Deric Johnson initialed Apartment Lease Form
17	08/28/19 06:16:34 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Animal Addendum
18	08/28/19 06:16:37 PM CDT	Deric Johnson dated Animal Addendum
19	08/28/19 06:16:51 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Mold Information and Prevention Addendum
20	08/28/19 06:16:54 PM CDT	Deric Johnson dated Mold Information and Prevention Addendum
21	08/28/19 06:17:06 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Asbestos Addendum
22	08/28/19 06:17:08 PM CDT	Deric Johnson dated Asbestos Addendum
23	08/28/19 06:17:42 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Water/Wastewater Cost Allocation Addendum
24	08/28/19 06:19:14 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Satellite Dish or Antenna Addendum
25	08/28/19 06:19:24 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Lease Addendum for Allocating Trash Removal and Recycling Costs
26	08/28/19 06:19:39 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Natural Gas Cost Allocation Addendum
27	08/28/19 06:19:55 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Addendum for Rent Concession
28	08/28/19 06:20:04 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Lease Addendum for Allocating Stormwater/Drainage Costs
29	08/28/19 06:20:13 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Lease Addendum for Allocating Services and Government Fees
30	08/28/19 06:20:27 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Lease Addendum for Trash Removal and Recycling Costs - Flat Fee
31	08/28/19 06:20:38 PM CDT	Deric Johnson signed Lease Addendum for Allocating Electrical Costs
32	08/28/19 06:20:47 PM CDT	Deric Johnson submitted signed documents
33	09/05/19 01:27:16 PM CDT	Crystal Garza signed Lead Hazard Disclosure Addendum
34	09/05/19 01:27:16 PM CDT	Crystal Garza dated Lead Hazard Disclosure Addendum
35	09/05/19 01:27:16 PM CDT	Crystal Garza signed Bed Bug Addendum
36	09/05/19 01:27:16 PM CDT	Crystal Garza dated Bed Bug Addendum
37	09/05/19 01:27:15 PM CDT	Crystal Garza initialed Apartment Lease Form
38	09/05/19 01:27:15 PM CDT	Crystal Garza initialed Apartment Lease Form
39	09/05/19 01:27:15 PM CDT	Crystal Garza initialed Apartment Lease Form
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43	09/05/19 01:27:15 PM CDT	Crystal Garza initialed Apartment Lease Form
44	09/05/19 01:27:15 PM CDT	Crystal Garza signed Apartment Lease Form
45	09/05/19 01:27:15 PM CDT	Crystal Garza initialed Apartment Lease Form
46	09/05/19 01:27:16 PM CDT	Crystal Garza dated Animal Addendum
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59	09/05/19 01:27:16 PM CDT	Crystal Garza signed Lease Addendum for Trash Removal and Recycling Costs - Flat Fee
60	09/05/19 01:27:16 PM CDT	Crystal Garza signed Lease Addendum for Allocating Electrical Costs

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61	09/05/19 01:27:15 PM CDT	Crystal Garza submitted signed documents
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