



## TERMINATION OF A LEASE BY A TENANT

A tenant can terminate their current lease under certain conditions:

- Allocation of a dwelling in low-rental housing
- Inability to Occupy the Dwelling Because of a Handicap
- Permanent admission to a long-term care center (CHSLD), to an intermediate resource, to a private residence for seniors or to any other establishment where the care or services required by his state of health are offered.
- IN THE CASE YOU DON'T RECEIVE A RENEWAL NOTICE FROM YOUR LANDLORD: If you decide not to renew your lease, you must send a letter to the landlord at least 3 months before the end of the contract.

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## LOW INCOME GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS (FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE)

### SHELTER ALLOWANCE

A government benefit can help you pay your rent. This benefit can reach \$ 80 per month.

### GUARANTEED INCOME SUPPLEMENT

There is also a non-taxable monthly benefit for people receiving the **Old Age Security Pension**. You must make a request to obtain it.

### TAX CREDIT FOR HOME-SUPPORT SERVICES FOR SENIORS

If you are 70 or older, the tax system provides for financial assistance in the form of a refundable tax credit for expenses relating to home-support service.

[www.canada.ca/fr](http://www.canada.ca/fr)  
[www.quebec.ca](http://www.quebec.ca)



# SENIOR TENANTS, THE LAW PROTECTS YOU!

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## SUPPORT TO HELP YOU RESPOND TO ABUSIVE RENT INCREASE

**You have the right to refuse an abusive rent increase and to stay in your dwelling.**

### **What the law says:**

1. The owner must send you a written notice. *(must be sent 3 months before the end of the lease)*
2. If you refuse the rent increase, you must respond to the notice in writing (30 days from the date of receipt of the notice) and send it by registered mail.

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You can call us if you need help responding to the rent increase notice.

### **IMPORTANT**

Tenants of seniors' residences have the same rights and obligations as all tenants.



## GRANT FOR SENIORS TO OFFSET A MUNICIPAL TAX INCREASE

Grant for seniors to offset a municipal tax increase is a financial assistance for people whose residence has significantly increased in value. The increase is determined based on the property assessment roll.

### **Revenu Québec**

<https://www.revenuquebec.ca/>

### **HOW THE SAINT-LAURENT HOUSING COMMITTEE CAN HELP YOU**

The Saint-Laurent Housing Committee informs you of your rights and responsibilities as a tenant. We help you in your efforts to defend your rights and fulfill your obligations.

### **CALL US :**

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## SUPPORT TO HELP YOU RESPOND TO THE REPOSSESSION OF A DWELLING

Under Quebec law, lessees who comply with all of the conditions of their lease can stay in their dwelling as long as they wish. This is known as the **right to maintain occupancy**. There are, however, exceptions to this rule, and the **repossession of a dwelling** is one of them.

**You have the right to refuse repossession and stay in your dwelling.**

### **What the law says:**

1. The owner must send you a written notice. (The owner's notice must be sent 6 months before the end of the lease)
2. If you refuse repossession, you must respond to the notice in writing and send it by registered mail.

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