

# Tenants' Guide to Charges



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Please note the charges listed below are the MAXIMUM fees that will be applied unless otherwise stated.

## Charges

	England	Wales
<b>First month's rent</b>	In advance	
<b>Tenancy Deposit Limit</b>	5 or 6 weeks depending upon the rental amount	Unlimited
<b>Holding Deposit</b>	Maximum one weeks rent	
<b>Early termination when requested by the tenant</b>	£30 inc. VAT and a charge not exceeding the financial loss experienced by the landlord	
<b>Utilities, communication services, TV licence and council tax</b>	As agreed with service provider	
<b>Default charge for late payment of rent</b>	Limited to interest charged at 3% above Bank of England base rate, when rent is more than 14 days late	
<b>Default charge for replacement of lost key or security device</b>	Equivalent to cost incurred	
<b>Changing the tenancy documents after the commencement of the tenancy (at tenants request)</b>	£50 inc. VAT    £41.67 excl. VAT	No charge

You will be charged the following fees if the annual rent exceeds £100,000 or the property is occupied by a Company or the property is not used as a main or primary home

	Cost (inclusive of VAT)	Net (exclusive of VAT)
<b>Check-in Fee</b> checking into the property and reviewing inventory	minimum of £72	minimum of £60
<b>Tenancy Agreement and Setup</b> drafting and execution of document if supplied by us	£300	£250
<b>Administration Fee</b> set up of monthly standing order for rental payments, collecting and holding the Security Deposit as Stakeholder, issuing protection certificates	£50	£41.67
<b>Company Referencing Fee</b> inc verification of details, credit check and Companies House check	£175	£145.83
<b>Individual Reference Fee</b> (per person)	£75	£62.50
<b>Extension Agreements Fee</b> negotiating and drafting extension to the fixed term	£125	£104.17
<b>Damage Fee</b> checking replacement item with inventory and arranging for damage to be rectified on conclusion of tenancy	£90	£75
<b>Change of Sharer</b>	£300	£250
<b>Arrears Fee</b>	£30	£25
<b>Overpaid Rent Fee</b>	£30	£25
<b>Pet Licence</b>	£75	£62.50
<b>If there are any guarantors for the tenancy:</b>		
<b>Guarantor Referencing Fee</b> inc verification of details, credit check, employer and accountant reference (if available)	£100 per guarantor	£83.33 per guarantor
<b>Deed of Guarantee Fee</b> drafting Deed, negotiating clauses and executing document	£75	£62.50

Please note: The Initial Monies will be confirmed and must be paid by debit card or bank transfer. **WE DO NOT HAVE THE FACILITIES TO ACCEPT CASH**

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