COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

RENT REGISTRY User Guide

How to Register Rental Properties on the Los Angeles County Rent Registry





COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RENT REGISTRY USER GUIDE

The Los Angeles County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA) launched the County's Rent Registry in October 2021, as part of the County's <u>Rent Stabilization and Tenant Protections Ordinance</u> and the <u>Mobilehome Rent Stabilization and Mobilehome Owner Protections Ordinance</u>. The Rent Registry allows landlords and mobilehome park owners to provide required rental housing information in compliance with the County ordinances, such as changes in tenancy, rental rates, and amenities, as well as pay annual registration fees to administer and enforce the program.

This guide provides step-by-step instructions to help landlords and mobilehome park owners register their rental properties located in the unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County onto the Rent Registry.

To learn more about the County's Rent Registry, visit <u>dcba.lacounty.gov/rentregistry/</u>.

Table of Contents

| Ι. | Registry Checklist | 2 |
|------|---|----|
| П. | Accessing the Rent Registry | 3 |
| | Step 1: Visit the Registry Website | 3 |
| | Step 2: Log In | 3 |
| | Step 2a: Confirm Initial Login and Landlord Information | 4 |
| III. | Adding a Property | 5 |
| | Step 1: Add your Rental Property | 5 |
| | Step 1a: Enter APN and PIN Information | 5 |
| IV. | Registering Your Property | 6 |
| | Step 1: Update Primary Owner and Property Manager Information | 7 |
| | Step 2: Add Unit Information | 10 |
| | Step 3: Request Unit Exemptions (if applicable) | 11 |
| | Step 4: Prepare for Submission | 12 |
| | Step 5: Submit Registration | 13 |
| V. | Paying Registration Fees | 14 |
| | Review and Submit Payment | 14 |

I. Registry Checklist

What You Will Need to Register:

An Active Email Account

Your Property's Assessor Parcel Number (APN)*

Your Property's Identification Number (PIN)*

* Your property's APN and PIN can be found in the notification letter mailed to you or by contacting the Los Angeles County Department of Consumer and Business Affairs (DCBA).

Steps to Register:

Register on the Rent Registration Portal

- Visit the Rent Registry website at <u>www.rentregistry.dcba.lacounty.gov</u>
- Enter your email and create a password
- Check your email for confirmation and to verify your username and password

□ Add your Rental Property

- Claim your rental property in the Rent Registration Portal
 - o Enter your APN and PIN
- Update your contact information
 - Name, phone number, email and mailing address of property owner (required) and of Property Manager (if you do not have one, check the "Same as Owner" box)

Enter Unit Information

- Enter unit information such as unit number, type of occupant in the unit, amenities included in rent, the rent amount, date of occupancy and date of last rent increase
- Enter tenant information such as contact information, if the tenant is a Qualified tenant, and preferred language
- Continue to add all units on your rental property

Submit your Registration

• Ensure all information is correct before submitting. Once submitted, DCBA staff will review and either approve or deny the registration



Pay Yearly Registration Fees

• Once your registration is approved, you will be notified of a pending payment status. Enter the system to start the payment process.

For any additional questions or assistance, you can contact DCBA's Rent Stabilization Program at (800) 593-8222 or <u>RentRegistry@dcba.lacounty.gov</u>.

II. Accessing the Rent Registry

Step 1: Visit the Registry Website

Visit the Los Angeles County Rent Registry website at <u>www.rentregistry.dcba.lacounty.gov</u> and click the icon located under "Landlord".

| NOTE: Register your pro | operties by January 1, 2022 to avoid reg | istration fees for the in | | | Create an Account |
|---|--|---------------------------|---------|-----|-------------------|
| LUND HINE THE | | Desi- | THE ARE | | Web-3 |
| Find Property b | Address or APN | | Q 0 | | 1.1 |
| COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES RENT PROGRAM ONLINE RENT REGISTRY 1.0 | | Login as | | | |
| Welcome to the rent registry for the County of Los Angeles Los Angeles County Code Sections 8 52.080 and 8 57.080 require registration of nertial units and mobilehome staces within uningrouported areas | Landlord | | Tenant | | |
| of Los Angeles County, and payment of associated registration fees by September 30th of each calendar year, unless exempted under County Code If you are not a landlord, you are not required to | | OR | 2 | 124 | 1 |
| register your property. Have Questions? Please visit: https://doa.lacounty.gov/rent/registry/ | 4 | | | | 11 |
| CONTACT US Email: rentregistry@dcballacounty.gov Phone: (833) 223-7368 Web.cent.lerow.tor.ex. | | | | | 120 |
| web.: rent_accounty gav | | | | | |
| | The second second | | State H | | 12 - 14 |

Step 2: Log In

Landlords who have already registered can input their login information to access the registry.

Landlords registering for the first time will need to navigate to "NEW USER? Click here to create an account." below the Login button. *

| Landlord Login | | |
|-------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Email Address * | | |
| This Field is Required. | | |
| Password * | 6 | |
| | Forgot Password | |
| | LOGIN | |
| NEW USER? Click b | ere to create an account. | |

*Please note: You will receive a confirmation email from <u>rentregistry@dcba.lacounty.gov</u> after creating your account.

Step 2a: Confirm Initial Login and Landlord Information

Once you have logged into the system you will see the "Dashboard".



If this is your first time accessing the system, your dashboard will be empty as shown above.

All properties that are successfully entered through your account will appear in the Dashboard.

III. Adding a Property

Step 1: Add your rental property

On your Dashboard, you will see a button that reads "Add Property;" click here to begin adding your property.

| My Properties | Past Properties |
|---------------|-----------------|
| | |
| | |

Step 1a: Enter APN and PIN Information

Once you click the "Add Property" button, you will see a pop-up asking you to input the Assessor's Parcel Number (APN) and PIN associated with your rental property. Letters containing the PINs have been mailed to the Mailing Address the County has on file for each property. If you did not receive a letter, you may contact DCBA and request a new PIN. Please be prepared to verify your property address and ownership information.

| Add Property | | |
|--------------|--------|--|
| Find APN | | Help |
| APN * | | Please enter the APN and Registration PIN provided by DCBA. Should you need assistance with registration or if you need a Registration PIN to be issued, please contact the LA County Rent Program at (833) 223-7368 or email rentregistry@dcha lacounty gov |
| PIN Number * | Ø | |
| RESET | VERIFY | How do I find the unique PIN? CANCEL SUBMIT |

Once you enter the information, you will click "verify" to ensure the APN and PIN are correct to the property address. If everything looks correct, click "Submit."

IV. Registering Your Property

Landlords are required to register their properties annually. The Dashboard will identify if your property is ready for registration. If the property is ready to be registered, the APN status will say "Registration Open" (see below).

| No Image Available | |
|------------------------|---|
| APN Address Open | Total Units 2 APN Status Registration Open |

Click "Open" to continue.

Step 1: Update Primary Owner and Property Manager Information

You may notice that the property owner's information is missing or incorrect. If so, you can update it by clicking "Click Here to Add" (see below).

| Addresses | Contacts Geo View | | | | | | | | |
|--|--|-------------------------------------|---|-------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------|------------------|
| | ALC: NAME | Constant of | 1000 | | Site Address | | | | 0 |
| | 1200 | and the second | | | 8131 HOLMES AVE LOS ANGELES CA 90 | 001-3438 | | | 1 |
| Total Units • 2 | Property Status Registration Open | Owner David Willyams | Year Buit 1929 | | | | | | |
| Unit details missin submit details. | ng. Click the "+ ADD UNIT" button to add the uni | t details OR Click the blue "Action | s" button next to the Unit you would li | ke to edit to 🗸 🗸 | | | | | |
| 8131 HOLMES AVE | LOS ANGELES CA 90001-3438 | | | | | | | | + ADD UNIT |
| Unit Name | Unit Fee Status | Number of Bedrooms | Base Rent | Current Rent | Start Date of Tenancy | Date of Last Rent Increase | Occupant Type | More E | |
| No records available. | | | | | | | | | |
| H H H | | | | | | | | | 0 - 0 of 0 items |
| | | | | | | | | | |

Click the "Add Contact" on the new page that appears and add or update the required information. The following contact types are required:

- Owner Contact Information
- Property Manager Contact Information

| Addresses | Contacts | Geo View | | | | |
|------------------------------------|--|---|--|--|--|--|
| Each property requires | BOTH a Primary Owner Co | ontact and a Property Manager Contact to be added. | | | | |
| • If you see a Prim | ary Owner listed below, pl | lease use the blue "Actions" menu to edit the information to ensure its accuracy. | | | | |
| To add a Property NO specified Pro | y Manager Contact, click o | n the "Add Contact" button and select "Property Manager" to enter the data. NOTE: If there is | | | | |
| You can also add | NO specified Property Manager for the property, you can click on "Same as Owner" to prefill the information. You can also add Additional Owner names, if applicable. This is optional and purely informative. | | | | | |
| | | | | | | |
| | | + ADD CONTACT | | | | |

Both types of Contacts <u>must</u> be added to the APN to submit Exemptions, Amendments, and Registration. The Property Manager's information can be the same as the Owner's, if you choose.

To add additional Owner Contact details, click on the "ADD CONTACT" button.

The Contact Detail pop-up page will open (shown below). From there, you can select from the available contact type.

Select "Owner" from the dropdown list to add an additional Owner or select "Property Manager" from the dropdown list to add the Property Manager contact details.

| Contact Details | |
|------------------|--|
| Owner | |
| Property Manager | |

Select the "Is Primary" checkbox if you wish to make the Owner a Primary contact. Fill out all required fields in the Contact Details form and click ADD.

| Contact Details | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--------------------------------------|--|--|
| Contact Type Owner | | | 👻 🔲 Is Primary |
| Profile | | | |
| Organization name * | | Owner Type * | • |
| Please provide the new C Partner | Owner's Name. If the owner is a Trus | , LLC, Corporation or Partnership, provide nan | ne(s) of Trustee(s)/CEO/Managing |
| First Name | | 2 Last Name | Ø |
| Preferred Language | | Telephone Number * | |
| Email * | | Would you like to receive e-stat | tements in place of mailed notices ? * |
| | | • Yes • No | |
| Would you like to sign-up | for program e-newsletters ? * | | |
| When was the property p | ourchased? (Month/Year) * | | |
| Month * | Year * | | |
| 01 | ▼ 2021 | • | |
| Mailing Address | | | |
| Street Address * | | Apt/Unit Name | Q |
| | | Ch. L. * | |
| | | | CANCEL |

Once you have entered the required information, you can add the "Property Manager" contact information. If the Property Manager is the same as the Primary Contact check "Same as Owner" and the information will populate automatically.

| Contact Details | | |
|---|---|------|
| Contact Type Property Manager | ▼ □ Same as O | wner |
| Profile | | |
| Organization name | Property Manager Type * | • |
| Please provide the Property Manager Name: | | |
| First Name | Last Name | 0 |
| Preferred Language | | |
| Email * | Would you like the property manager to receive registration and payment notifications ? * | |
| | • Yes · No | |
| Mailing Address | | |
| Street Address * | Apt/Unit Name | 0 |
| City * | State * | • |
| Zip Code * | | |
| | | |
| | | |

Step 2: Add Unit Information

On the "Property Details" page, click the "Add Unit" button and the following pop-up will appear. Enter the required information. Additional options may appear depending on the selected Occupant Type.

| Edit Unit | | | |
|---|---|--|---|
| Unit Name (e.g. UNIT # 1,A-101 or APT 22 etc.) * 1 | 🔲 No Unit Name | Occupant Type * Tenant | • |
| Number of Bedrooms * 1 | 0 | Start Date of Tenancy * 1/1/2000 | Ē |
| Base Rent * 1000 | Ø | Current Rent * 1050 | |
| Enter rent charged on 9/11/18. If current tenancy began aft on start date. Date of Last Rent Increase * 1/1/2021 | er 9/11/18, enter rent charged | | |
| Occupants Include *: | | | |
| Terminal Illness | At least 62 years of age | | Person With a Disability |
| Unsure/Unknown | None / Not Applicable | | Low Income |
| Children under 18 | | | |
| Housing Services Included in the Base Rent *: | | | |
| Do not include housing services or amenities that are identified (a and tenant have agreed in the rental agreement that the amount will be included in the Base Rent. | a) in a separate written agreement betwe t is not to be included in the Base Rent. T | een the landlord and the tena he Rent Program will presun | ant, or (b) specifically within the rental agreement itself but the landlord ne that housing services not identified in (a) or (b) in the prior sentence |
| Gas | Storage | | Water |
| Pets | Laundry | | Gym / Pool |
| Refuse / Recycling | Other | | None / Not Applicable |
| Electric Electric | Parking | | |
| Tenant Information 📀 | | | |
| Tenant 1 | | | |
| Tenant First Name * JOhn | | Tenant Last Name * Dow | |
| Tenant Preferred Language English | 0 - | | |
| | + ADD F | PHONE | |
| | + ADD | EMAIL | |

You will need to ensure all the information you enter is true and correct - including the amount of rent charged on either September 11, 2018 for rental units and February 13th, 2018 for mobilehome spaces, or at the beginning of the tenancy if it began after these dates.

You must report any Housing Services that are included in the rent, or if the occupants fall into a qualified category. This includes persons who are disabled, terminally ill, low income, at least 62 years of age, or children under 18.

Fill out each required field. Once finished, click "Add Unit."

Step 3: Request Unit Exemptions (if applicable)

Before submitting your registration, consider if the APN may qualify for an exemption (Property Exemption/Unit Exemptions). If you do not believe your property qualifies for an exemption, skip to step 4.

Exemption requests can only be made before submitting your registration. Below are some examples of qualifying exemptions:

- Unit is vacant and will remain vacant during the upcoming fiscal year.
- Unit is rented or leased to transient guest(s) for 30 consecutive days or less.
- Unit has a commercial use and is not used as a residential rental unit.
- Unit is occupied by a property manager and there is a written agreement with the landlord stating the property manager does not pay the full amount of rent that would otherwise be paid for a comparable rental unit on the property.
- Unit is Government-owned or specifically exempted under State or federal law or administrative regulation.

Visit DCBA's website at <u>dcba.lacounty.gov/rentregistry/</u> for a full list of properties that are subject to the rent registry requirements. You may also review the <u>Los Angeles County Rent Stabilization and Tenant Protections</u> <u>Ordinance</u> and <u>Mobilehome Rent Stabilization and Mobilehome Owner Protections Ordinance</u> to learn more about possible unit/property exemptions.

Unit Exemptions CANNOT be requested AFTER Registration is completed and need to be requested annually during registration. Please note, you must submit an exemption request for each unit that you believe is not subject to the registration fee for the registration period year. The appropriate documentation will need to be provided to the DCBA's Rent Stabilization Program to consider the Exemption request.

To apply for an Exemption, click on the "ACTIONS" button next to the unit you believe qualifies for an exemption. Select the option "Apply for Exemption".

| Unit Name | Unit Fee Status | Number of Bedrooms | Base Rent | Current Rent | Start Date of Tenancy | Date of Last Rent Increase | Occupant Type More : |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------------|------------|--------------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 1 | Non-Exempt | 3 | \$2,000.00 | \$2,000.00 | 06/01/21 | 06/01/21 | Tena 🖍 Edit |
| 2 | Non-Exempt | 2 | - | * | - | | Own Manage Tenant Contacts |
| H 4 1 - H | | | | | | | 1 - 2 of 2 items |

A pop-up will appear where you will need to identify the reason for the exemption, upload any documentation that substantiates the reason, agree to the declaration statement, and provide the Submitter's Information. Once all the required information is entered, click "SUBMIT".

During the review of your request, a Unit Exemption or "UE" case will be created. You can find this in the Case History section at the bottom of the page. While DCBA staff reviews the request, you will be able to view the status, provide additional documentation, and communicate with DCBA staff.

| Case History | | | | |
|------------------|---|----------------|--|--|
| Case Id | Created on Entity | Case Type | | |
| | | | | |
| UE2020-21-245329 | Unit: Unit A,8131 HOLMES AVE LOS ANGELES CA 90001-3438 | Unit Exemption | | |

Applying for a Unit Exemption does not guarantee it will be granted. Once submitted, DCBA staff will review each unit exemption request to confirm exemption eligibility and final approval or denial of the request.

Step 4: Prepare for Submission

Once the APN meets all the necessary requirements to be submitted for Registration (APN Contacts and Unit Details have been entered) a "REVIEW AND SUBMIT" button will appear at the bottom of the "Addresses" tab, as well as a "Complete Registration" link in the middle of the page.

| 19202 1/4 NE MALIBU | AL, LOS ANGELES, CA 90503 | | | | | | + ADD UN |
|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Unit Name | Unit Fee Status | Number of Bedrooms | Current Rent | Start Date of Tenancy | Date of Last Rent Increase | Occupant Type | More : |
| A | Non-Exempt | 2 | \$1,000.00 | 07/31/20 | 07/31/20 | Tenant | Actions ~ 💿 |
| H 4 1 F H | | | | | | | 1 - 1 of 1 item: |
| | | | | | | | |
| ase History Ise Id | Created on Entity | Case Type | Cre | rated Date | Last Modified | Case Status | 5 Search Action |

Step 5: Submit Registration

Once you are ready to submit your registration you can either click the "Complete Registration" hyperlink or the "Review and Submit" button.

| 19202 1/4 NE MALIBU | AL, LOS ANGELES, CA 90503 | | | | | | + ADD |
|---------------------|---------------------------|--------------------|--------------|-----------------------|----------------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| Unit Name | Unit Fee Status | Number of Bedrooms | Current Rent | Start Date of Tenancy | Date of Last Rent Increase | Occupant Type | More : |
| A | Non-Exempt | 2 | \$1,000.00 | 07/31/20 | 07/31/20 | Tenant | Actions ~ 💿 |
| | | | | | | | 1 - 1 of 1 ite |
| H 4 1 ⊁ H | | | | | | | |
| H ≪ 1 ► H | | | | | | 1 | 5 • Search |
| H 4 1 ► H | Created on Entity | Case Type | | Created Date | Last Modified | Case Status | 5 Search Action |
| ie Id | Created on Entity | Case Type | | Created Date | Last Modified | Case Status | 5 Search Action |

A new page will be displayed which shows the APN details as they have been entered. The Owner and Property Manager Contact details, Unit Details, and Case History will be displayed for review before the information officially submitted. If everything looks correct, click the "Submit" button. The pop-up below will appear that you will need to review and complete.

| Submit Registration | | |
|--|--|--|
| Please Take Note: You must submit an exemption for the upcoming fiscal year. The annual program f exemption from the fee after registration is submi | request for each unit that you believe is not subject to the program fee fee is based on your registration statement and you cannot apply for an itted. | |
| Submitted Exemption Requests | | |
| By checking this box, I understand that all unit completing registration. This Field is Required. | exemption(s) and property exemption requests must be submitted prior to | |
| 1 Unit Exemption(s) 1 Property Exemption(s) <u>Click here</u> to return to the home screen to submit an plasse review the user quide |) exemption request. For information on how to apply for an exemption, | |
| Declaration Statement | | |
| By checking this box, I declare under penalty of have provided in this form is true and correct to either original documents or true and correct or This Field is Required. | f perjury under the laws of the State of California that the information I o the best of my knowledge and belief. Any attachments included here are opies of the original documents. | |
| Enter Full Name * | Select Title * | |
| | CANCEL SUBMIT | |

You are required to read and agree to the Declaration Statements and provide your information.

After you click the "Submit" button a new pop-up will appear stating that the registration was successfully submitted. The status of the registration will change to "Pending Staff Review."

DCBA staff will review your submission for any errors. If no errors are found, your registration status will change to "Pending Payment." Once this status appears, you will be able to enter the system to pay your registration fees.

Please check your email and the registry for this update to ensure you make the required payment ahead of the registration deadline.

V. Paying Registration Fees

Review Your Cart and Submit Payment

Please note that registration fees are waived for properties registered by April 30, 2022 for the initial registration period.

Once staff has approved the registration, the status of APN will change to "Payment Pending". If you are viewing the Property Details of a Property that is ready to accept online payment, you will see the "Pay Now" button enabled.

However, if you have multiple properties and are not sure which ones are ready, you can click on the Shopping Cart icon in the header. In this example, we will click on the Shopping Cart icon.



On the Shopping Cart page, you will see all Properties that are ready for Online Payment listed in a table format. Each row will have a "View" icon and a "Pay Now" button. You can pay for one property at a time.

| | SUMER & INESS AFFAIRS | | Find | Property by Address or APN | × • | iou 🐓 | |
|---------|--------------------------|-------------------------------|------------|-----------------------------|------------|------------------------|--------|
| Rent | Program Fee Select | es Owed Invoice Id/Case Id | APN | Transaction Description | Due By | C RERCH Amount Oved | € 84CK |
| Selecto | 📀 | RF1020-11-238347 | 8574014054 | FY-2020-21 Rent Program Fee | 06/01/2021 | \$36.00 | NOW |

A new page will appear where you can enter your payment information. Enter your Credit Card details in the fields.

| paydirect.ca.link2gov.cor | n/LACODCBA/PaymentEntry | | |
|---------------------------|--|---|--|
| | | LOS ANGELES COUNTY CONSUMER & BUSINESS AFFA | IRS |
| | Payment Entry Payment Method: Credit or Debit Card | | |
| | Card Information Card Number Expiration Date Month Vear V Card Identification Code 0 DISCORE DI | Billing Inform Name Address City State Zip Phone Email | nation KAWAHARA,SHINJI AND Lisses and the second se |
| | Ca | ncel Continue | Jan Star Hand |

Click on the "Continue" button to move forward with your payment.

Review the information for accuracy. If everything looks good, click on the "Process Payment" button. If you need to make corrections, click on the Go Back/Edit link; or if you need to cancel the processing of the online payment, click on the Cancel link.

If your payment is successful, you will see a Transaction Successful page pop up with the payment details along with a button to Download Receipt.

| | Transaction Succes | sful! | |
|--|-------------------------|-------------|---------|
| ental Property : 5 | | | |
| Payment Method : | | Units Fees | \$30.00 |
| CREDITCARD VISA-*8291 | | Late Fees | \$6.00 |
| Date Payment Received : | | Total Paid | \$36.00 |
| Tue Jul 06 14:25:55 PDT 2021 | | | |
| Receipt Number : 00000377 | | Balance Due | \$0.00 |
| ransaction Summary | | | |
| Transaction Id | Transaction Description | Total Paid | |
| 2ddfe96f-7b4b-462f-a449-f01bf4 RR2020-21-238347 27f873 | | \$37.49 | |

Click on the "Return" button when you are finished. You will be redirected to your Dashboard. If you have paid for all the Properties, then the Shopping Cart icon will disappear.

Registration is complete when all required information has been successfully submitted and registration fees have been paid.

COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

Department of Consumer and Business Affairs Housing and Tenant Protections Division Rent Stabilization Program 320 West Temple Street, Room G-10 Los Angeles, CA, 90012

Phone: (800) 593-8222

Email: <u>RentRegistry@dcba.lacounty.gov</u>



