



LOS ANGELES COUNTY'S RENT REGISTRY: FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the County's Rent Registry?

The Rent Registry System (Rent Registry) was established under the County's Rent Stabilization and Tenant Protections Ordinance (RSTPO) LACC Chapter 8.52 and the Mobilehome Rent Stabilization and Mobilehome Owner Protections Ordinance (MRSMOPO) LACC Chapter 8.57. The Rent Registry is an online service portal that 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 County's Rent Stabilization Program.

Who is required to register?

Landlords and mobilehome park owners who rent units, rooms, or mobilehome spaces in unincorporated areas of Los Angeles County are required to register and pay applicable registration fees on an annual basis. Some units, properties, or mobilehome spaces may be exempt from registration fees. Property owners and mobilehome park owners may submit an exemption through the Rent Registry for review. Please visit our website or contact our office to understand if your property/unit is subject to the registration requirements.

IF YOU ARE NOT A LANDLORD and you occupy the subject property as your primary residence, you do not have to register. If this applies to you, you can disregard the letter and email us at rentregistry@dcba.lacounty.gov to be removed from our mailing list. Please note, if you ever rent your single-family home, unit(s) or space(s), you will be required to register within thirty (30) days of the tenancy start date.

How do I register?

Online by visiting rentregistry.dcba.lacounty.gov, or **in-person** by visiting our headquarters. For updates on additional locations, please visit our website. You may also visit dcba.lacounty.gov/rentregistry/ for a step-by-step guide on how to register online.

What is the registration deadline, and how much will I have to pay?

All rental units and mobilehome spaces must be registered, and fees paid by **September 30th of each year**.

Registration fees fall into the following categories:

- **\$90 per Fully Covered Rental Unit***: Subject to rent restrictions **and** "Just Cause" eviction protections (e.g., *At-Fault or No-Fault* eviction reasons);
- **\$30 per Partially Covered Rental Unit**: Subject to "Just-Cause" eviction protections **only** (no County rent restrictions);
- **\$90 per Mobilehome Space***

* Up to 50% of the annual registration fee for Fully Covered rental units and mobilehome spaces may be passed-through to tenants and mobilehome owners to be paid in (12) equal monthly installments, unless otherwise agreed to by the tenant or mobilehome owner. Penalties or late fees accrued for failure to register shall not be passed-through to the tenants/mobilehome owners.

How do I know if my rental property is Fully or Partially Covered?

Fully covered rental units consist of two or more units located on a single parcel (e.g., apartment complexes, duplexes, etc.) in the unincorporated areas of the County, with a Certificate of Occupancy issued **on or before February 1, 1995**.

Partially covered rental units are units in the unincorporated area of the County that are not Fully Covered or identified as exempt from Chapter 8.52 of the County Code. Partially Covered Units refers to rental units that are only subject to "Just Cause" eviction protections. Contact our office or visit our website for more information regarding coverage.

How can I pay the registration fee?

Landlords and mobilehome park owners can pay with a credit card or e-check through the online Rent Registry. Payments made by check (including cashier's check and money order) or credit card may also be made in-person by visiting us at: **DCBA, 320 West Temple St., Room G-10, Los Angeles, CA 90012**. Property owners may submit payment via mail as long as the property has been accurately registered online or through submission of a paper application. Payments made by check must include the APN and registration cycle in the memo line. **Incorrect payments will be rejected.** For updates on additional locations, please visit our website at dcba.lacounty.gov/rentregistry/. Service fees may apply for certain payment methods.

What if I don't register or pay fees for my rental unit(s) or mobilehome space(s)?

Failure to register and pay the annual registration fee by September 30th may result in penalties and late fees. Additionally, landlords and mobilehome park owners not current on the required registration fee will **not** be able to increase rent or pass-through costs to their tenant(s) and mobilehome owner(s).

Have questions? Visit us online at dcba.lacounty.gov/rentregistry/, call us at (800) 593-8222, or email us at rentregistry@dcba.lacounty.gov.