



# SAFE HOUSING

Your unit must remain in compliance with housing quality standards at during your entire tenancy, not just during inspection. Augusta Housing is prohibited from making payments to a landlord for units that do not meet minimum health and safety requirements.

## Examples

Leaking Ceiling	No Water
Electrical Hazards	Non-Working Smoke Detectors
Blocked Exits	Bug or Rodent Infestation
No or Not Enough Heat	Broken Windows
Anything that would cause your unit to fail inspection	

## Report Unsafe Housing

Ask your landlord to fix the problem. If no repairs are made, follow up with a written request and keep a copy of your letter. If you landlord is not fixing the problem report to Augusta Housing as soon as possible. We will work with you to help get the issue resolved and connect you with additional resources as appropriate. You can also find additional information with Pine Tree Legal [www.ptla.org](http://www.ptla.org)

It is illegal for a landlord to evict a tenant in retaliation for your unsafe housing complaint.

You have the right to live in safe housing.

Maine Law requires landlords maintain a habitable living space. This means landlords must provide safe and livable housing.

Don't be afraid to report unsafe living conditions.

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