



What is Fair Housing?

The City of Rogue River is a Fair Housing community.

That means that the City supports equal opportunity in housing for all persons regardless of race, color, religion, sex, disability (physical and mental), familial status (children) or national origin.

[Click here](#) to view *Rogue River's Fair Housing Resolution* (Resolution 20-1373-R, passed August 27, 2020).

What is a violation of Fair Housing?

If you have been denied housing or discriminated against in securing/retaining housing in Oregon due to one of these covered reasons, you may be able to report a FHA violation.

- Race
- Color
- National Origin
- Religion
- Sex
- Familial Status
- Disability
- Marital Status
- Source of Income
- Sexual Orientation Including Gender Identity
- Domestic Violence Victims

[Click here to download a brochure](#) with more information on Fair Housing.

What should I do if I think that I've been discriminated against?

Contact the City of Rogue River's City Hall, by phone: (541-582-4401) or mail (PO Box 1137, Rogue River, OR 97537).

You may also reach out to the [Fair Housing Council of Oregon](#), at 1-800-424-3247 ext. 2 (translation available).

More about the Fair Housing Act (FHA)

Reference: Housing and Urban Development (HUD.gov)

What Types of Housing Are Covered?

The Fair Housing Act covers most housing. In very limited circumstances, the Act exempts owner-occupied buildings with no more than four units, single-family houses sold or rented by the owner without the use of an agent, and housing operated by religious organizations and private clubs that limit occupancy to members.

Usually, it includes:

- individual homes, duplexes, multifamily housing (apartments, condos, and townhomes), retirement housing, adult foster homes and longterm care facilities, homeless shelters and other nonprofit housing, etc.
- sales, rentals, mortgage lending, building and construction, home insurance, appraisals, and inspections, land use regulations, zoning, as well as neighbor-on-neighbor harassment.

What Is Prohibited?

In the Sale and Rental of Housing:

It is illegal discrimination to take any of the following actions because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin:

- Refuse to rent or sell housing
- Refuse to negotiate for housing
- Otherwise make housing unavailable
- Set different terms, conditions or privileges for sale or rental of a dwelling
- Provide a person different housing services or facilities
- Falsely deny that housing is available for inspection, sale or rental
- Make, print or publish any notice, statement or advertisement with respect to the sale or rental of a dwelling that indicates any preference, limitation or discrimination
- Impose different sales prices or rental charges for the sale or rental of a dwelling
- Use different qualification criteria or applications, or sale or rental standards or procedures, such as income standards, application requirements, application fees, credit analyses, sale or rental approval procedures or other requirements
- Evict a tenant or a tenant's guest
- Harass a person
- Fail or delay performance of maintenance or repairs
- Limit privileges, services or facilities of a dwelling
- Discourage the purchase or rental of a dwelling
- Assign a person to a particular building or neighborhood or section of a building or neighborhood
- For profit, persuade, or try to persuade, homeowners to sell their homes by suggesting that people of a particular protected characteristic are about to move into the neighborhood (blockbusting)

- Refuse to provide or discriminate in the terms or conditions of homeowners insurance because of the race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin of the owner and/or occupants of a dwelling
- Deny access to or membership in any multiple listing service or real estate brokers' organization

For more information and examples, visit [Examples of Housing Discrimination](#).

Harassment:

The Fair Housing Act makes it illegal to harass persons because of race, color, religion, sex, disability, familial status, or national origin. Among other things, this forbids sexual harassment. Learn more about sexual harassment [here](#).

Other Prohibitions:

In addition, it is illegal discrimination to:

- Threaten, coerce, intimidate or interfere with anyone exercising a fair housing right or assisting others who exercise the right
- Retaliate against a person who has filed a fair housing complaint or assisted in a fair housing investigation

Additional Protections For Persons With Disabilities:

Housing providers must make reasonable accommodations and allow reasonable modifications that may be necessary to allow persons with disabilities to enjoy their housing. Get more information about reasonable accommodation [here](#).

Certain multifamily housing must be accessible to persons with disabilities. Get more information [here](#).

Advertising:

For more information about advertising and the Fair Housing Act, visit [Advertising and Marketing](#).

For more information about Fair Housing in Oregon, visit the [Fair Housing Council of Oregon](#) web site or email information@fhco.org.