



FAIR HOUSING

YOU ARE PROTECTED UNDER CALIFORNIA LAW

THE CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF FAIR EMPLOYMENT AND HOUSING (DFEH) ENFORCES LAWS THAT PROTECT YOU FROM ILLEGAL DISCRIMINATION AND HARASSMENT IN HOUSING BASED ON YOUR ACTUAL OR PERCEIVED:

- ANCESTRY
- CITIZENSHIP*
- COLOR
- DISABILITY (physical and mental, including HIV and AIDS)
- FAMILIAL STATUS (household with children under the age of 18, pregnant, or pursuing legal custody of children under age 18)
- GENETIC INFORMATION
- GENDER, GENDER IDENTITY, GENDER EXPRESSION
- IMMIGRATION STATUS*
- MARITAL STATUS
- PRIMARY LANGUAGE*
- RACE
- MEDICAL CONDITION (genetic characteristics, cancer or a record or history of cancer)
- NATIONAL ORIGIN (includes language use and possession of a driver's license issued to persons unable to prove their presence in the United States is authorized under federal law)
- RELIGION (includes religious dress and grooming practices)
- SEX/GENDER (includes pregnancy, childbirth, breastfeeding and/or related medical conditions)
- SEXUAL ORIENTATION
- SOURCE OF INCOME

*Covered under the Unruh Civil Rights Act, which applies to most housing accommodations in California

COMMON HOUSING-RELATED VIOLATIONS OF THE FEHA INCLUDE:

- ① Refusal to sell, rent, or lease housing accommodations
- ② Denial of a home loan or homeowner's insurance
- ③ Representation that a housing accommodation is not available for inspection, sale, or rental when that accommodation is in fact available
- ④ Provision of inferior terms, conditions, privileges, facilities or services in connection with a housing accommodation
- ⑤ Sexual harassment involving unwanted sexual advances or requiring sexual favors for housing rights or privileges
- ⑥ Cancellation or termination of a sale or rental agreement
- ⑦ Refusal to permit, at the disabled tenant's expense, reasonable modifications when necessary to accommodate a disability
- ⑧ Refusal to make reasonable accommodations in housing rules, policies, practices, or services where necessary to afford a person with disabilities equal opportunity to use and enjoy a dwelling
- ⑨ Discriminatory policies, practices, terms, or conditions that result in unequal access to housing or housing-related services

FILING A COMPLAINT

If you believe you are a victim of discrimination you may, within one year of the discrimination, file a complaint of discrimination by contacting DFEH.

If you have a disability that prevents you from submitting a written intake form on-line, by mail, or email, DFEH can assist you by scribing your intake by phone or, for individuals who are Deaf or Hard of Hearing or have speech disabilities, through the California Relay Service (711), or call us through your VRS at (800) 884-1684 (voice).

DFEH is committed to providing access to our materials in an alternative format as a reasonable accommodation for people with disabilities when requested.

To schedule an appointment or to discuss your preferred format to access our materials or webpages, contact the Communication Center at (800) 884-1684 (voice or via relay operator 711) or (800) 700-2320 (TTY) or by email at contact.center@dfeh.ca.gov.

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