



## TEMPORARY MORATORIUM ON EVICTIONS

Residential evictions are temporarily banned in Washington **until June 4th, or longer if the civil emergency continues**, by order of Governor Inslee due to COVID-19.



### **Do I still have to pay my rent?**

**Yes.** But if you are unable to pay your rent due to the economic impacts of COVID-19 your landlord must work with you on a payment plan based on your specific circumstances.

### **Can my landlord increase my rent?**

No, your landlord cannot increase your rent or your security deposit throughout the moratorium.

### **Can I be charged extra for not paying my rent on time?**

No. Late fees are not allowed throughout the moratorium. Your landlord cannot pursue owed rent through debt collection or threaten to do so.



### **Do I talk to my landlord about it?**

Yes! Keep the line of communication open with your landlord. Your landlord will need to plan for the impacts of not receiving rent.



### **Can I be evicted during the moratorium?**

Only if you present an imminent threat to the health and safety of your neighbors and/or your landlord.



### **Where do I get help if I get a 14 Day Pay or Vacate Notice or other eviction notice during the moratorium?**

Contact the Renting in Seattle Helpline at (206) 684-5700 or make an online complaint at <https://cosaccela.seattle.gov> (look under +Create New and select Complaint). Language assistance is available.

For the most up to date information visit [seattle.gov/rentinginseattle](https://seattle.gov/rentinginseattle)  
Call us at 206.684.5700

### **Additional COVID-19 resources**

[www.seattle.gov/mayor/covid-19](https://www.seattle.gov/mayor/covid-19) for a list of community resources.

2-1-1 for information on financial help and basic needs.

<https://esd.wa.gov/newsroom/covid-19> for unemployment insurance info