



RESIDENTIAL EVICTIONS AMID COVID-19

Eviction Moratorium per Governor's Proclamation 20-19.1



Who does this effect?

Anyone renting month-to-month, through a lease agreement, or with an otherwise established landlord/tenant relationship



What is not covered?

Anyone being evicted for a safety or health concern

What is this Eviction Moratorium?

A "moratorium" just means a **freeze or a hold**.

During the governor's eviction moratorium:

- No one can be evicted for non-payment of rent or for "no cause".
- A landlord may not *threaten* to evict you for these reasons.
- A landlord may not try to collect (through collections or court) your unpaid rent.

You can still be evicted *after* the moratorium for not paying rent *during* the moratorium.

How long does it last?

Currently, it lasts until **June 4th, 2020**. Keep an eye on governor.wa.gov for updates or further proclamations.

Do we still need to pay rent?

Absolutely. The moratorium just means you can't be taken to court right now. You are still required to pay your rent unless other arrangements are made with your landlord.

No. Your landlord may not charge or *threaten* to charge late fees during the moratorium for non-payment or late payment of rent.

What about Late Fees?

1. **Tell your landlord** in writing as soon as possible

2. Ask if they're willing to set up a **payment plan**

3. Call Council for the Homeless (360.695.9677) for **help with rent**

4. Contact Clark County Volunteer Lawyers (360.334.4007 | info@ccvlp.org)

OR Northwest Justice Project (888.201.1014) for **legal advice**

What if I can't pay my rent?

