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Rental bond scheme



Salford City Council



What is the Salford Rental Bond scheme?

The aim of the scheme is to help people in housing need access private rented accommodation, to protect accredited landlords and provide support during the tenancy should it be required. It provides assistance to people who cannot afford a cash deposit, as landlords are offered a bond in the form of a non-cash contract, replacing the traditional deposit system.

What is a bond?

It is an agreement with the council, which means there is no deposit to pay at the start of the tenancy, but you and your landlord must sign up to the conditions of the bond agreement with the council. This explains to you and your landlord what a claim can be made for if you break the tenancy agreement and difficulties arise. A bond is not a transfer of cash, but a written guarantee issued by the scheme on behalf of you, the tenant.

The bond protects landlords against:

- Damage to the property
- Theft
- Rent arrears
- Fraudulent claims

At the end of the tenancy, if any of the above has occurred, then the landlord can submit a claim to be reimbursed up to the value of the bond.

If a claim is made and upheld, we will treat this as a debt that you (the tenant) are responsible for and you will have to repay the Council. This will also mean that you may not be able to use the bond scheme again, or get social housing in the future. So if you have problems during your tenancy, let us know so we can help.

Who can have a bond?

Single persons/childless couples

- Who are over 18
- Are on income support
- Or unemployment benefit
- Or incapacity benefit
- Or earning less than £100 per week if single
- Or earning less than £140 per week if a couple
- AND in housing need

Families

- Where one parent is over 18
- In receipt of state benefits if not working
- Or are eligible to receive family credit if working
- AND in housing need

The possibilities of council housing will also be looked into if appropriate.

In exceptional circumstances requests for bonds will be considered even if the above criteria are not met.

You will be considered to be in housing need if:

- You are homeless
- You are threatened with homelessness
- You are living in overcrowded conditions
- Your health is suffering because of where you live

Which areas of the city will the scheme operate in?

Eccles, Swinton, Walkden, Irlam, Cadishead, Pendleton.

Are there groups of people who can not apply to the scheme?

- Existing council tenants
- Existing tenants of housing associations
- Previous recipients of bonds, who have not re-paid their debt to Salford City Council.

How does the scheme work?

A prospective tenant identifies a property they want to rent or ask the scheme if any suitable accommodation is available. If the property is not accredited it will be referred over to the landlord accreditation scheme. We will then:

- Interview the applicant for suitability to access the bond scheme
- Check that the property is or can be accredited
- Inspection by the accreditation team to the property to check that it is safe to live in
- Have both parties sign a bond agreement
- Support for landlord and tenant in sustaining their tenancy
- Sign off with both tenant and landlord at end of tenancy