

# Transfer Policy

## Purpose

- a. No longer meets the demonstrated housing need of the tenant including bedroom entitlement under the *Allocations Policy*,
- b. Is required by the Department of Communities (Housing) for the purpose of redevelopment and/or refurbishment as outlined in the *Refurbishment of Occupied Properties Policy*,
- c. The property is purpose-built or modified for a person with a disability and the modifications are no longer required by any member of the household,
- d. Is otherwise required by the Department of Communities (Housing).

The Department of Communities (Housing) may incentivise and/or contribute to the reasonable costs associated to relocate a client.

Tenants offered an alternative public housing property may have their existing tenancy agreement terminated.

## Related legislation

Housing Act 1980

Residential Tenancies Act 1987

Residential Tenancies Regulations 1989

## Related policies

Allocation Policy

Eligibility Policies (Rental Policy Manual)

Priority Housing Need Policy

Refurbishment of Occupied Properties Policy

Tenancy Management Policy

Applicants with Adverse History Policy

## Definitions

<b>Public Housing</b>	Subsidised rental housing managed by the Department of Communities (Housing).
<b>Tenant</b>	Refers to any person who is granted the right of occupancy of a public housing property and are a signatory to the Tenancy Agreement (TA).

## Document control

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## Version history

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2	January 2022	Section 1 Section 3	Amendments to section 1 & 3 to align with directional shift and terminology changes as part of Housing Ministers rapid response deliverables.	
1	October 2020		Removal of Transfer Policy from the Rental Policy Manual to a standalone document and removal of New Living Programs Policy to align with the amended Transfer Policy.	