

## INFORMATION REGARDING THE MODEL TENANT SELECTION CRITERIA FORM

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## Summary of Applicable Law

When adopting tenant selection criteria one should consider the following statutes:

- (a) Section 92.3515 of the Property Code; and
- (b) The Fair Credit Reporting Act, 15 U.S.C.A, Section 1681, Chapter 41.

Texas Property Code Section 92.3515 requires you to make available to a residential tenancy applicant a copy of your printed tenant selection criteria and the grounds for which a rental application may be denied. While you do not have to provide a copy of the policy every time you receive an application, you are required to have a copy of your selection criteria available in the event an applicant requests it. Failure to make a copy of the tenant selection criteria available to an applicant who is rejected could result in the landlord's forfeiture of any application fee and application deposit.

The Federal Fair Credit Reporting Act requires a landlord to provide certain information to an applicant who is rejected based upon information the landlord obtained from the applicant's Credit Reporting Agency (CRA) report, commonly referred to as a credit report. That information includes the agency from which the information was obtained and that agency's contact information. In order to comply with that requirement, you should use TAR Form 2212, "Adverse Action Notice and Credit Score Disclosure", or an equivalent form.

## Property Management

REALTORS® who are managing rental property on behalf of property owners should consider that owners may have specific selection criteria that will need to be added to or deleted from this model document. Be sure to have a conversation with your client prior to adopting this form for any particular property.

## **Tenant Selection Criteria**

		SmartMove	_(Company Name)	
300	ese criteria are being provided in re 0 St. Croix Dr int Blank, TX 77364	ference to the Property locate	ed at the following addres	s: _(Street Address) _(City,State,Zip).
foll Ba ag rai:	rsuant to Property Code Section 92 lowing constitute grounds upon which sed on the information you provide, ainst you (including, but not limited sing rent to a higher amount than for tion is taken based upon information	ch Landlord will be basing the Landlord may deny your app to, requiring a co-signer on the or another applicant). If your a	e decision to lease the Pro- plication or may take other re lease, requiring an add pplication is denied or an	pperty to you. r adverse actions itional deposit, or other adverse
1.	<u>Criminal History</u> : Landlord will perby you on the Lease Application. It the information contained in the re	Landlord's decision to lease the		
2.	Previous Rental History: Landlo by you on the Lease Application. Y information, or information learned lease the Property to you.	our failure to provide the req	uested information, provis	sion of inaccurate
3.	<u>Current Income</u> : Landlord may a Depending upon the rental amount the ability to verify the stated incomp	t being asked for the Property	, the sufficiency of your in	ncome along with
4.	<u>Credit History</u> : Landlord will obtacredit report, in order to verify your based upon information obtained footained from your credit report, you	credit history. Landlord's decrom this report. If your applic	cision to lease the Proper	ty to you may be
5.	Failure to Provide Accurate Information or your provision of making the decision to lease the F	of information that is unverifia		
6.	Other: NA			