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TENANTS! ARE YOU READY FOR RIGHT TO RENT CHECKS?

**FROM 1ST FEBRUARY 2016, LANDLORDS AND LETTING AGENTS
WILL BE REQUIRED TO CARRY OUT NEW CHECKS RELATING TO
THE IMMIGRATION STATUS OF THEIR TENANTS**

WHAT DOES THIS MEAN FOR YOU?

- Landlords will need to ask all tenants, whether they are from the UK, EU or elsewhere in the world, to provide certain documents to prove they have a right to rent in the UK
- They will have to view original documents such as your passport or biometric immigration document and keep copies of these

More information and a full list of the documents
landlords/agents need to request can be found here:
www.gov.uk/righttorentchecks



Be prepared to show documents if signing a contract for accommodation on or after 1st of February 2016

Look out for extra fees being charged for these checks.
Nothing prohibits agents/landlords charging fees, but all fees must be made clear to you upfront

If you decide to sublet your property, make sure you get permission from your landlord or agent and remember that you must carry out your own immigration checks on your sub-tenants

Do not send original identity/immigration documents in the post to any landlord or agent. Make sure you meet them, present your documents and take them away with you

Do not let landlords and agents discriminate against you.
It is illegal for a landlord or letting agent to discriminate against a tenant on the basis of their nationality or race



HAVE QUESTIONS OR NEED ADVICE?






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