

whichever occurs later. ([§55.1-1234.1](#))

The landlord may, in a written notice provided to the tenant, state that the termination is unjustified and refuse to accept the tenant's termination of the lease. A tenant who has vacated the unit (or never moved in initially) may then challenge the landlord's refusal in court. The prevailing party shall be entitled to recover reasonable attorney fees. ([§55.1-1234.1](#))

Notification of Rent Increase/Nonrenewal:

If a lease contains an option to renew or an automatic renewal provision, a tenant must be notified in writing of a rent increase or nonrenewal at least 60 days before the end of the lease term. This only applies when a landlord owns more than four rental units or more than 10% percent interest in more than four rental units in the Commonwealth. ([§55.1-1204\(K\)](#))

Eviction:

A landlord may not evict a tenant without following the court eviction process. The landlord first sends a written notice and next the landlord files an unlawful detainer lawsuit. The landlord must get a court order of possession, followed by a Writ of Eviction that is served by the Sheriff. ([§§55.1-1245, 1252](#)). A tenant not getting paid due to a federal shutdown of 14 or more days can get an eviction lawsuit for nonpayment of rent postponed for 60 days. ([§44-209](#))

Unlawful Exclusion, Interruption of Essential Services, and Unlivable Premises:

A Landlord may not unlawfully exclude a tenant from the premises, interrupt an essential service, or make the unit unlivable. If this happens, the tenant may sue the landlord in General District Court and get an initial court hearing within five calendar days. At this hearing, a court may order the landlord to give the property back to the tenant, resume the essential service, or fix the conditions that make the unit unlivable. The court may also hold a second hearing within 10 days of the first hearing and may find that the tenant is entitled to actual damages, statutory damages, and reasonable attorney's fees. ([§55.1-1243.1](#)) If a tenant is excluded from the unit because the unit was condemned, the tenant may sue the landlord for actual damages. The landlord must return any prepaid rent, security deposit, and rent paid after the unit was condemned. ([§55.1-1243.2](#))

Domestic Violence— Right to Change Locks:

If a tenant has obtained an order from a court under [§16.1-279.1](#) (for family abuse) or [§20-103](#) (for apprehension of physical harm by a family or household member) that excludes someone else from the premises, the tenant may provide the landlord with a copy of that court order and request that the landlord either install a new lock or other security devices on the exterior doors of the unit or permit the tenant to do so.

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In the event the tenant changes the locks, the tenant shall provide a duplicate copy of all keys and instructions for the operation of all devices to the landlord. The new lock/security device must not cause permanent damage to the dwelling unit, and the tenant shall be responsible for the cost of installing the lock/security device, reasonable costs incurred to remove the device(s), and all damage upon termination of the lease. ([§55.1-1230](#))

Domestic Violence—Right to Terminate the Lease:

A tenant who is a victim of family abuse as defined by [§16.1-228](#), sexual abuse as defined by [§18.2-67.10](#), other criminal sexual assault, stalking in violation of [§18.2-60.3](#), or trafficking in violation of [Article 3 of Chapter 8 of Title 18.2](#) may terminate their lease if:

1. The tenant has obtained a preliminary protective order under [§16.1-253.1](#) (for family abuse), OR an order of protection under [§16.1-279.1](#) (for family abuse), OR a permanent protective order under [§19.2-152.10](#) (general protective order) against the perpetrator, OR the perpetrator has been convicted of any of the above crimes against the tenant, AND
2. The tenant provides the landlord with a written notice of termination that includes copy of the order of protection OR the conviction order, warrant, summons, information, or indictment.

The lease shall be terminated 28 days after the tenant provides the landlord with the written notice. The rent must be paid at the normal time through the effective date of the termination. ([§55.1-1236](#))

Redemption (Pay & Stay):

After an unlawful detainer lawsuit for nonpayment of rent is filed, a tenant has the right to pay to a zero balance on or before the court date and have the lawsuit dismissed. After a court issues a judgment of possession, a tenant has the right to pay to a zero balance up to 48 hours before the Sheriff's eviction and have the eviction cancelled. If the landlord has 5 or more rentals, a tenant may use these rights at any time. If the landlord has 4 or fewer rentals, the landlord may limit the tenant's use of these rights to once during the lease period if the landlord first sends a written notice of this limitation. ([§55.1-1250](#))

Fair Housing:

The tenant may have a right to file a fair housing complaint if the landlord or property manager violates the Virginia Fair Housing Act. ([§36-96.1 et seq](#), [HUD FHEO-2020-1](#))

Tenant Responsibilities

Rent:

Unless the lease says otherwise, rent is due in equal payments each month on or before the first of each month. ([§55.1-1204](#))

Late Fees:

If rent is not paid on time, the tenant must pay a late fee only if the lease requires one. A late fee can be no more than 10% of the monthly rent or 10% of the unpaid balance owed by the tenant, whichever is less. ([§55.1-1204\(E\)](#))

Insurance:

A tenant may be required to have and pay for renters insurance. A tenant also may be required to have and pay for damage insurance and/or a security deposit, but the total of both the damage insurance premiums and the security deposit may not exceed two months' rent. ([§§55.1-1206, 1208](#))

Access:

A tenant must allow a landlord access to the unit at reasonable times and for practical purposes, such as maintenance, inspection, or to provide services. A tenant must allow access unless the landlords request is unreasonable. Unless impractical due to an emergency, the landlord must give 72-hours' notice of maintenance and must perform the maintenance within 14 days. If the tenant requests maintenance, notice is not required. ([§55.1-1229](#))

Maintain Fit and Habitable Premises:

The tenant must keep the rental unit as clean and safe as conditions allow and in accordance with the Uniform Statewide Building Code. The tenant must promptly notify the landlord of visible mold and use reasonable efforts to prevent moisture and mold. The tenant must promptly notify the landlord of insects or pests and must not be at fault in failing to prevent insects or pests. ([§55.1-1227](#))



Acknowledgement of Receipt of Statement of Tenant Rights and Responsibilities

In accordance with [§55.1-1204](#) of the Code of Virginia, the Landlord has provided to the Tenant and the Tenant has received the Statement of Tenant Rights and Responsibilities developed by the Virginia Department of Housing and Community Development and posted on its website (www.dhcd.virginia.gov/landlord-tenant-resources) pursuant to [§36-139](#) Code of Virginia. The Statement of Tenant Rights & Responsibilities is current as of the date below.

The statement of the tenants' rights and responsibilities was provided to the tenant on:

For property address: **6807 Dean Drive, McLean, VA 22101**

The tenant:

- ☐ Signed this acknowledgment of receipt of the statement of tenants' rights and responsibilities
- ☐ Did not sign this acknowledgment of receipt of the statement of tenant's rights and responsibilities

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DocuSigned by: 	Ndiane Diop	5/20/2026
Landlord Signature	Printed Name	Date
DocuSigned by: 	Kris Walker	5/20/2026
Landlord Agent (if applicable)	Printed Name	Date
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