

Planning and Building Department

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Residential Rental Permit Program **Tenant Resources**

How does this program benefit tenants?

Prior to the implementation of this program, tenants with complaints about unsafe living conditions needed to file a Code Enforcement request with the Town. While this continues to be the method, the process is significantly streamlined because the property owner will have provided contact information which will be more immediate than the traditional relying on standard mail.

Tenants also may have the peace of mind in knowing that the properties which they rent have received the required permits to be rented out. This adds a level of legitimacy to the property that may be appreciated by the tenant.

How can I find out if a rental property has an active permit?

If a rental property has a valid permit, any written advertisement must include the assigned permit number. Do not sign a lease for a rental property that does not have a valid rental permit. If you discover a rental property is not registered, notify the Town by calling (707) 944-8851.

Will this program affect my rent?

The Town cannot anticipate what the impact of this program may have on the rental market, but can share that the only fee assigned to the property owner is an \$88 application fee that is paid annually. This works about to be approximately \$7 per month for the property owner.

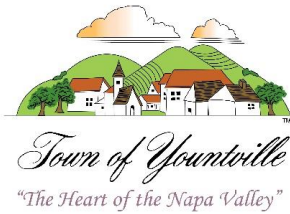
How long is the permit valid?

Rental permits are valid until the end of the calendar year in which they were completed. A renewed permit must be applied by and issued on or before January 1 of every year.

All residential rental units within the Town of Yountville are required to receive a permit on or before January 1 of each year, per Yountville Municipal Code (YMC) Section 8.08.030.

A separate application form must be completed for each property with one or more residential rental unit(s), though multiple residential rental units at a single property can be included in one application.

This sheet was created to address some of the more common questions that tenants may have.



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How can tenants assist with the implementation of this program?

Tenants will play a vital role in the successful implementation of this program and can assist in the following ways:

- Encourage the property owner or landlord to obtain a rental permit
- Learn about maintenance standards and notify the owner or landlord when things need to be fixed or are not up to standard
- Contact the Town of Yountville if the owner or landlord is not complying with the Residential Rental Permit Program

Who do I contact if I have a Landlord/Tenant Issue?

Tenants have the right to call the Town of Yountville at (707) 944-8851 for any questions or concerns they may have about their living conditions or relationship with their landlord. If there is a concern that there will be retaliation from the landlord for reporting a violation of the Yountville Municipal Code, the tenant is strongly encouraged to contact Fair Housing Napa Valley at (707) 224-9420 or napafairhousing.org. Fair Housing Napa Valley is a private non-profit corporation which promotes and develops fairness and equality of housing opportunities, and works to eliminate housing discrimination in the valley.

