This Easy-to-Read booklet is for video 3 in our guide to social housing support







A GUIDE TO APPLYING FOR SOCIAL HOUSING FOR PEOPLE WITH AN INTELLECTUAL DISABILITY

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Filling the Form





The form is in 12 parts



It's quite long so tame your time and don't forget to take breaks.

Ask someone for support if you need to. You can ask someone you trust, a Housing Officer at your local authority or a Citizens Information representative.





Part 1 is for personal details and will ask you things like your name and date of birth.

If there is somebody else applying for social housing with you they need to fill this bit out too.



Part 2 is called Nationality Details and will ask you where you were born, what language you speak, when you came to Ireland if you moved here from somewhere else, and your citizenship status (such as if you are Irish, English etc).



Part 3 is for Employment Details. This part asks if you are working and what job you have.

It also asks for your employer's details such as their name and address.



Part 4 is called Weekly Income Details and is where they will ask you about what money is coming in to your house from things like employment or social welfare.



Part 5 is called Details of Other Household Members Seeking Accommodation.

This asks about the other people who will live with you (for example, a partner).





It asks for things like their name, Date of Birth, and if they are applying with you etc.



Part 6 is about your Current Accommodation or where you are living right now.

It asks if you own or rent the place you are living in. If you are renting you need to provide proof of this.



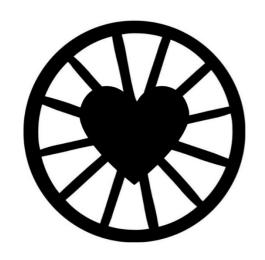
It asks you why you are looking for supports.

It will also ask you what is available to you in the place you live now, such as hot water, a toilet, etc.



This section will ask you about where you have lived for the last 5 years.

It will ask for things like if you were renting, how long you lived in each place and if you got Social Housing Supports before.



Part 8 asks you if you identify as an Irish Traveller so that you can be included in Traveller Accommodation Programmes if you want to.

This gives local authorities information so they can improve their Traveller Accommodation Programmes. This won't affect whether you are able to get supports.



Part 8 continues by giving you a chance to tell them what would make your new home more accessible to you.

Examples might be adding a wet room, wider doors, quiet neighbourhood, near a bus stop, raised garden etc.

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The HMD-Form 1

This section is also for information about your disabilities or medical conditions so that all of your support needs can be noted.

You also add your filled HMD-Form 1 here and an occupational therapist's report if needed. We have a video guide about this too



Part 9 is Basis for Application. You can only apply to one local authority, and you must either live there or have a connection to it like you study there or have a relative living there for more than 2 years.

You select the boxes where you would be happy to live.



A home is more than just a building.

It's about the community, accessible location, what's available there, and the whole area.

Make sure to have a long think about where you would have a good life and be happy.



Part 10 Other Property Information asks if you own any property or land.

If someone is applying with you, like a partner, they have to fill this too.



If you do not own any land or property, just put in the letters N/A or Not Applicable.



Part 11 is Public Order Offences and Any Other Information.

This section asks if you have been convicted of certain crimes in the past 5 years.

The type of crimes relates to antisocial behaviour that might mean that you would not make a great tenant.

If there is any other information that you think would be useful for the local authority to know or would help your application, then you can put it here.



This gives you a chance to add a personal element to your application. You might like to add a letter saying why you want or need to change your living situation.

You could put in a letter from your key worker or family if you like. This can be very helpful in explaining how getting your own place will help you live a good life.



The final part of the form is called The Declaration.
This is where you sign your name as a promise that all of the information that you have provided

is correct and truthful.



At the end of the video that goes with this Easy-to-Read guide is a short guide about filling in the HMD-Form 1.

For more information about housing and supported independent living go to the 'Housing' section on our website. You can find this at www.inclusionireland.ie/housing

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