# Sea Shore Realty & Property Management, Inc. Tenant Checklist



1248 Gunn Hall Drive Suite 102 Virginia Beach, VA 23454 757-301-8550 Office 757-301-8552 Fax www.seashorerealtyinc.com

## Are you ready to submit an application for a rental property?

Make sure the following 4 items accompany your rental application or your application will not be processed.

- o <u>Application</u> Anyone over the age of 18 who will be residing in the home will need to be on the rental application. No one over the age of 18 may live in the home without completing a rental application.
- Application Fee There is a non-refundable application fee of \$35.00 per applicant. Application fee may be paid in cash, check, money order or may be paid online from our website.
- o <u>Picture ID</u> DMV, Green card, Visa or Passport may be accepted, (**Please no Military ID's, per the law**)
- Proof of Income Last two months of paystubs, official letter from your employer or LES is needed. For self-employed/1099'd applicants your last two years tax returns are required. If you are using additional income for qualification, please provide proof of this income.

When your application has been accepted the following items will be required <u>within 24 hours</u> of notification of acceptance:

- Security Deposit Must be paid in cashier's check or money order (certified funds). No personal checks will be accepted for deposits. Please make payable to Sea Shore Realty and be sure to note the rental address on your form of payment.
- Security Deposit Holding Agreement Agreement states if applicants decide not to take possession of home, security deposit will be forfeited.

The following items will be needed at the time of move in:

- Proof of Renters Insurance Minimum of \$300,000 for liability, fire, damage and legal with Sea Shore Realty listed as additionally insured. Please ask your insurance company to fax declaration page of insurance to our office. Our fax number is 757-301-8552.
- <u>Rent</u> Must be paid in cashier's check or money order (certified funds). No personal checks will be accepted for the first month rent. Please make payable to Sea Shore Realty and be sure to note the rental address on your form of payment.\*\* Please note first full month rent is due at time of possession and any pro-rate amount is due the following month.
- o <u>Non-refundable Pet fee</u> if applicable must be paid in same form as rent is paid.
- Voided Check All rent MUST be paid by ACH. There will be a \$50 fee each month our office processes a cashier's check or money order in our office. The \$50 fee is in addition to your monthly rent.

# We are unable to give you posession (keys) to house if you do not have all the information listed above at the time of move in.

Remember: If you have any questions please don't hesitate to call your Property Manager at Sea Shore Realty!





# VIRGINIA REALTORS® TENANT SELECTION CRITERIA



**APPLICATIONS:** All Applicants must meet the criteria for acceptance set forth in this Tenant Selection Criteria. All Applicants are required to provide either a social security number or individual taxpayer identification number issued by the U.S. Internal Revenue Service in accordance with Section 55-248.4 of the Virginia Residential Landlord and Tenant Act. In addition, all Applicants must sign the Agency Disclosure form as required by Virginia law. Supplying false, misleading, or inaccurate information, or omitting information may be grounds for disapproval.

Management complies with all federal, state and local laws including fair housing laws which prohibit discrimination based on any protected class under federal, state or local fair housing law or regulations, or the REALTOR® Code of Ethics.

**INCOME**: The following guidelines are used in determining sufficient income requirements for Applicants:

- A. Gross income for single persons should be at least three times the amount of the rent.
- B. Combined gross income for married persons should be at least three times the amount of the rent.
- \*\*Roommates, each individually should be no less than 1 1/2 times monthly rent.\*\*

All income may be verified through Applicant's employer, and Applicant may be required to provide two months recent pay stubs. A signed release from Applicant may be necessary to obtain this information.

**CREDIT**: A credit check through a local credit agency is performed on all Applicants. A history of good credit must be established. Evidence of a history of poor or delinquent credit, absence of credit, absence of gainful employment or income to meet income requirements may be grounds for disapproval. Judgments or collections that appear on the report may be cause for rejection of Applicant. Any Applicant with a bankruptcy must show a discharge more than one year ago and have established new credit with a positive rating with at least one account. In the discretion of the Managing Agent, hospital related debt may not disqualify you if you have entered into a written payment plan and you are current with your obligation under the payment plan.

**EMPLOYMENT VERIFICATION**: Applicant must provide two years of employment history. If current employment history is less than 2 years, previous employment will be verified. Current and/or past employment will be verified, including salary, position, length of employment, and probability of continued employment (if employment history is not available, Applicant must have good credit history, rental reference, and current or new employment must be verifiable).

**RENTAL HISTORY**: Two references are obtained from previous landlords, if possible, relative to payment history, length of rental agreement, amount of rent, damages, and violation history. If Applicant is breaking an existing rental agreement, it must be determined what liability the Applicant has under the current rental agreement, which may affect the Applicant's ability to pay current rent. Any adverse information relating to these areas is grounds for rejection of Applicant.

- A. You will be denied if you have a record of being late in paying rent two or more consecutive times or more than four times collectively.
- B. You will be denied if you have a record of material noncompliances with the rental agreement, rules and regulations, or applicable local, state or federal laws.
- C. You will be denied if you have an unsatisfied collection and/or judgment with a previous landlord, or have any evictions from previous housing.

**AGE**: All persons age 18 and older must complete an Application for Residential Lease, and may be required to qualify individually as a Tenant. No person over age 18 may reside in the Dwelling Unit without being approved as a Tenant or Occupant.

**INFORMATION VERIFICATION**: Applicant will be asked to provide verifiable information or documentation to support application items. These may include, but are not limited to, "Leave & Earnings Statements", pay stubs, evidence of taxes paid in past years, personal identification, or notarized confirmation of employment. Failure to provide such documentation may be grounds to reject Applicant.

**CO-SIGNERS/GUARANTORS**: Co-signers/guarantors may be accepted for those applications where the Applicant has insufficient income or other credit deficiencies as determined by Managing Agent. All co-signers/guarantors must be residents of the Commonwealth of Virginia. \*\*Criteria must fall into Sea Shore Realty Rental Guidelines. Gross income housing expense (will need copy of lease) - monthly debt = 3x monthly rent

**PREPAID RENT**: If Applicant has insufficient income or other credit deficiencies, Landlord may offer Applicant a lease upon the condition Applicant pay prepaid rent.

**CRIMINAL HISTORY**: A criminal background check through a third party may be performed on all Applicants with approved credit. Evidence of a criminal conviction may be grounds for disapproval. All reports of criminal convictions will be evaluated with the opportunity for the Applicant to provide additional information about the facts and circumstances surrounding the conviction. Any conviction for manufacture and/or distribution of illegal drugs shall be grounds for disapproval.

**DISAPPROVAL**: The following actions by any occupant of a household may be grounds for disapproval of Applicant.

- A. <u>Tenant Selection Criteria</u>: Applicant's failure to meet any of the Tenant Selection Criteria may be cause for disapproval.
- B. <u>Drug or Alcohol Use</u>: Any current use of an illegal drug will be grounds for rejection of an Applicant. Any evidence of current alcohol abuse that manifests conduct that poses a threat to the health or safety of other residents will be grounds for rejection of application. Any report of having sold or used a controlled substance may result in disapproval.
- C. <u>Inadequate Housekeeping</u>: Any history of inadequate housekeeping may be cause for rejection of an Applicant, which generally includes any conduct, inaction, or neglect which could result in health or safety problems or in damage to the premises or any equipment, appliances, or other items therein.

COPYRIGHT© 2018 by the Virginia REALTORS®. All rights reserved. This form may be used only by members in good standing with the Virginia REALTORS®. The reproduction of this form, in whole or in part, or the use of the name "Virginia REALTORS®", in connection with any other form, is prohibited without prior consent from the Virginia REALTORS®.





# VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS® APPLICATION FOR RESIDENTIAL LEASE

(This is a legally binding contact. If not understood, seek competent advice before signing.)

The property will be shown and made available to all persons without regard to any protected class under federal, state or local fair

housing law or regulations, or	r the REALTOR® Code of Ethics.	-		
This Application for Residential Lease (the "Application") is made as of			, 20	by and between ("Applicant") and
	("La	indlord") through		
	who represents Landlord), and			
separate consent agreement	has been entered into by Listing B			
Applicant hereby applies for a in the City/County of	residential dwelling unit (the "Dw for ر	velling Unit") located atoccupancy commencing on		, Virginia, , at an
initial monthly rent payment	of	occupancy commencing on		). All persons over
the age of 18 who will reside	in the Dwelling Unit must complet	e this Application.		
	PLEASE FILL IN ALL I	NFORMATION COMPLETELY		
1. Applicant Informat	tion. Any missing inform	ation will delay the processing	of application	on
	Applicant #1	Applicant #2		Applicant #3
Name				
SSN/ITIN				
Date of Birth				
Home #				
Work #				
Cell Phone #				
Email Address				
Present Address				
Rental Amount				
Years				
Landlord				
Landlord Address				
Landlord Phone				
Previous Address				
Rental Amount				
Years				

Landlord

	Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Landlord Address			
Landlord Phone			
Presently Employed By			
How long?			
Position			
Salary (Wk., Mo., Yr.)	\$	\$	\$
Supervisor			
Telephone			
Formerly Employed By			
How long?			
Supervisor			
Other Occupants: Name/Age/Relationship			
Email Address:			

### 2. Vehicle Information:

	Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Number of Vehicles			
Make			
Model			
License #			

### 3. Animals: To include fish, gerbils, hamsters, reptiles, etc

	Animal #1	Animal #2	Animal #3
Name of Animal			
Туре			
Breed			
Color			
Weight			

4.	If you	are presently	in the Armed	Services	, state:
----	--------	---------------	--------------	----------	----------

	Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Branch			
Rank			
Outfit			
Telephone			

## 5. Other Income You Would Like Landlord to Consider: Must provide documentation

	Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Amount (Wk., Mo., Yr.)	\$	\$	\$
Source			

### 6. Bank or Savings Accounts:

	Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Bank Name/Address			
Account No. Type of Account			
Bank Name/Address			
Account No. Type of Account			
Bank Name/Address			
Account No. Type of Account			

## 7. In Case of Emergency Notify: Must be someone other than spouse or someone who lives with you

	Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Name			
Address			
Phone			
Relationship			

#### 8. Rental and Credit History:

a. Reason for leaving current residence:

Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3

b. Have you ever been rejected for tenancy? If Yes, please explain:

Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Yes /No	Yes /No	Yes /No

c. Have you ever refused to pay rent when due, been a defendant in an unlawful detainer action or eviction, or otherwise been sued by a landlord for matters related to a tenancy?

If so, please give details, and the status of any pending actions:

Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Yes /No	Yes /No	Yes /No

d. Have you ever filed for bankruptcy? If so, please give dates of filing and status of case:

Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3
Yes /No	Yes /No	Yes /No

Applicant #1	Applicant #2	Applicant #3			
me:	Name:	Name:			
one #:	Phone #:	Phone #:			
me:	Name:	Name:			
one #:	Phone #:	Phone #:			
me:	Name:	Name:			
one #:	Phone #:	Phone #:			
please give all details, including the specific offense(s), date(s), sentence(s) and jurisdiction(s) in which the offenses occurred well as any information on the status of any current probation.  Applicant #1  Applicant #2  Applicant #3					
Yes / No	Yes /No	Yes / No			
States or a member of the Virginia Natior "Military Orders" is defined as: (i) a perm the Premises; (ii) temporary duty orders i Premises; (iii) a discharge or release from	f this Section 10, a "Servicemember" is defined as al Guard serving on fulltime duty or a Civil Service anent change of station orders to depart thirty-fiven excess of three months' duration to depart thirty active duty with the armed forces of the United Str (iv) an order to report to government-supplied q	technicians with a National Guard unit, and e miles or more (radius) from the location of y-five miles (radius) from the location of the tates or from full-time duty or technician			
allowance for quarters.					
	Applicant #2	Applicant #3			
allowance for quarters.	Applicant #2  Are you currently a Servicemember?_	Applicant #3  Are you currently a Servicemember?_			
Applicant #1 e you currently a Servicemember?_					
allowance for quarters.  Applicant #1	Are you currently a Servicemember?_	Are you currently a Servicemember?_			

11.	CHECK IF ANY APPLICANT C	)WNS:	_CAMPER _	MOTORCYCLE _	BOAT	TRUCK	TRAILER
follo part amo	APPLICATION FEE/THIRD Powing, non-refundable amou y costs incurred by Landlord that of f this Application. The Applic	nts: i) an A in the amou at the time	pplication Fee in unt ofthis Application	n the amount of In addition, the is made, which may be re	Applicant must fundable to App	, and (ii) pa pay an Application licant, in accordan	yment for third n Deposit in the ce with Section
rem to A the	OBLIGATION TO ENTER INT ove the Dwelling Unit from the pplicant. If this Application is Application Deposit equal to flord Tenant Act ("VRLTA").	he available s approved a	rent list. If this A and Applicant fai	application is denied by Lad s to rent the Dwelling Unit	ndlord, the Appl t, Landlord shall	ication Deposit sha be entitled to retai	ll be refunded n that part of
	GUARANTY. Please provide		ng information if	the Lease will be guarante	ed, in accordance	ce with the Rental S	Selection
J1100	-	oru.			Notice	e to Co-Signer (Gua	rantor)
	Name of Guarantor: Relationship: SSN/ITIN: Date of Birth: Address:  Phone Number:  Name of Guarantor: Relationship: SSN/ITIN: Date of Birth: Address:				You a debt. agree the de may h of the pay. You an increa Sea Sh from y from the same that c applic garnis	re being asked to g Think carefully bef If the applicant do bet, you will have to lave to pay up to the debt if the application of collection costs, we lise the amount.  Incore Realty can coll you without first tre the applicant. We collection methods an be used against ant, such as suing y thing your wages, e	uarantee this fore you less not pay to pay. You e full amount int does not to pay late which  ect this debt ying to collect can use the against you the you and tc. If this
	Phone Number:				becon	s ever in default, the ne part of your cree otice is not the cor	dit record.
	Name of Guarantor :					nakes you liable for	
	Phone Number:						

15. APPLICANT INVESTIGATION: Applicant should exercise whatever due diligence Applicant deems necessary with respect to information on the Dwelling Unit, including without limitation, mold, lead-based paint, pests or insects, and any sexual offenders registered under Chapter 23 (sec. 19.2-387 et seq.) of Title 19. Information regarding registered sex offenders may be obtained by contacting your local police department or the Department of State Police, Central Records Exchange at (804) 674-2000 or <a href="https://www.vsp.state.va.us">www.vsp.state.va.us</a>. Upon Applicant's request, Landlord will provide Applicant with a copy of the Lease for review.

cation. We understand this is a bindi	ng contract separate and apart from the Lease	
	APPLICANT #3 SIGNATURE	
	Date: Type of ID:	
	Copy of Photo ID:Yes /No	
	<u> </u>	
	LICANT #2 SIGNATURE : of ID: of Photo ID:Yes /No	

The undersigned acknowledges the receipt of the following fees and deposits:

Applicant #1			Applicant #2		Applicant #3	
Application fee:\$_		Applicati	on fee:\$	Application fee:\$		
Check No	or Cash	Check No	o or Cash	Check No	or Cash	
Third Party Costs:	\$	Third Par	ty Costs:\$	Third Party Costs	s:\$	
Check No	or Cash	Check No	o or Cash	Check No	or Cash	
An Application E which shall be of Application, if ap		unt of \$ andlord or Agent's e	escrow account within five (5)	, paid by check numb business banking days a	er, or cash after the approval of this	
SIGNATURE OF F	Recipient: _/					
Phone number:				er number:		
			OFFICE USE ONLY			
Application Rece	eived: Date		Time			
Application Revie	ewed By					
Accepted	Rejected 🏻	Withdrawn □				
DISCLOSURES:	If applicable, Ar	oplicant has been pro	vided with the following disclo	sures		
		·	0			
	Defective Dryw	/dii				

COPYRIGHT©2016 by the VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®. All rights reserved. This form may be used only by members in good standing with the VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®. The reproduction of this form, in whole or in part, or the use of the name "VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®", in connection with any other form, is prohibited without prior written consent from the VIRGINIA ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS



# 3 REASONS WHY YOUR PROPERTY MANAGER REQUIRES RENTERS INSURANCE AND 4 THINGS TO DO ABOUT IT!



3 Reasons Why Your Property Manager Requires Renters Insurance and 4 Things to do about it!

You just signed a lease and found out that a requirement to move in is that you obtain renter's insurance. You may be wondering why this is a requirement and you may prefer not to spend the extra money on something you did not want in the first place. The purpose of this article is to explain **why your landlord is requiring** renters insurance and then give you 3 steps to take to **minimize or eliminate the additional cost** 

#### **REASON 1:** To protect you.

If there's a fire or other major catastrophe on the property, the property manager knows that you could literally lose everything. The property owner's insurance will not replace your items and will not put you up in another place temporarily. We have seen a situation in an apartment fire where the entire building's residents were displaced and everything they had was burned up in a fire. Each resident received 2-3 nights in a hotel and a couple hundred dollars to purchase necessities from a local charity and then they were on their own. Every one of them had to start over whether they had the financial resources or not... including the ones who didn't cause the fire! Also, even though it was an accident, the person who started the fire could be sued by the insurance company and could be paying for the loss the rest of their lives. All of these problems could have been resolved simply by the residents spending \$10-15 per month on renters insurance.

#### REASON 2: To protect the property owner.

If you accidentally start a fire or create some other situation, the owner has insurance to protect their interests... but not your interest. However, in the example of a fire, the problem is that the owner still needs to file a claim due to your negligence. When an owner has to file a claim, the owner has to pay a deductible which can be up to thousands of dollars. In addition to paying a deductible, the owner's insurance could be canceled or their cost may go up as a result of the claim. By requiring renters insurance, the building owner is able to have a resident's insurance pay when the resident is negligent.

#### **REASON 3:** To protect themselves.

Let's face it, residents who have no renters insurance when something happens tend to be very upset, especially when it's not their fault and often the residents will file complaints against the property management company or give them bad reviews. Property owners also tend to be very unhappy when something happens to the property, at no fault of their own, and a claim must be filed against their insurance. Unhappy owners may take their property elsewhere to be managed by somebody else.

The bottom line is that renters insurance is very inexpensive and protects you, the property owner and the property manager! Even still, if your goal is to minimize or eliminate the additional cost, there are four things you can do:

FIRST: Carry only the amount of property coverage that you need to replace your items. Carry extra coverage costs you but the insurance company is only going to give you a check to replace what you actually had, not for the total amount of insurance. Perform a household inventory by going room by room and recording what you have and adding up the amount it will take to replace those items following a loss. That's how much insurance you need.

**SECOND:** Carry a high deductible. The more you raise your deductible, the lower your cost becomes. Consider a \$1000 or \$2500 deductible if you can afford to pay that much out of pocket after a loss.

**THIRD:** Bundle by purchasing auto and renters insurance from the same company. At The Braun Agency, it's not uncommon for us to be able to insure somebody's auto and renters insurance for less than what the person was paying for just car insurance. In that situation, it's like getting free renters insurance. But not every auto company insures tenants and not every renter's insurance company insures cars. In order to get the bundle benefit, you have to talk with a company that does both things well and gives big bundle discounts, like The Braun Agency.

**FOURTH:** Don't skimp on the liability coverage. You won't save very much money by lowering your liability coverage from \$500,000 or \$300,000 to \$100,000 even if that's all the landlord requires. Plus, this is the coverage that protects you from having to pay the rebuilding cost if you're negligent and also the coverage if you accidentally hurt somebody. It's your most important coverage and savings is minimal by cutting it, so don't.

The Braun Agency proudly insures thousands of households and small businesses throughout Hampton Roads including the cities of Virginia Beach, Norfolk, Chesapeake, Hampton, Newport News, Suffolk, Portsmouth and beyond! To obtain a proposal on renters insurance, start here.

The Braun Agency's mission is to help you get from where you are to where you want to be financially by planning, achieving your plan and protecting your plan from unexpected events. In the process, our goal is to deliver insurance services in a manner that exceeds your expectations. See what The Braun Agency can do for you today. Give us a call at 757-452-4563 to speak with one of the licensed, professional members of our team or request a contact here. The Braun Agency. We're on YOUR side. 757-INSURANCE.

#### CONTACT INFO



**South Plaza Trail Office** 3640 S. Plaza Trail Suite 102 Virginia Beach, VA 23452-3363 CONNECT WITH US

**\**757-INSURANCE (757-467-8726)



Indian River Road Office 6062 Indian River Rd., Ste. 101 Virginia Beach, VA 23464



**Hampton Office** 1619 Aberdeen Rd Hampton, VA 23666

