## COMMUNITY AND HUMAN SERVICES Housing Services

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# Hastings County Community and Human Services Hastings Local Housing Corporation Administrative Policies and Procedures

<b>SUBJECT:</b> Complaints Po	Complaints Policy			
APPROVED BY: Hastings County Council				
POLICY #: H.L.H.C. 2				
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#### **PURPOSE**

To inform tenants residing in units directly managed by the Hastings Local Housing Corporation of the proper procedure for reporting complaints or concerns.

#### **SCOPE**

The policy applies to the units directly managed by the Hastings Local Housing Corporation.

#### **REQUIREMENT**

- A complaint form or letter must be submitted in writing to the appropriate Housing Staff;
- A complaint form or letter must include the tenants address and be signed by the tenant, not on behalf of a third party, in order for appropriate action to be taken;
- All information will be kept confidential, except as may be required by law;
- Complaint forms are available at the Housing Services office, and on the Hastings County website at www.hastingscounty.com;
- Anonymous complaints will be reviewed but may not be processed.

#### **RESPONSIBILITY**

Community & Human Services staff shall assist tenants with literacy issues in completing the Tenant Complaint Form and forward the complaint to the appropriate department. For example; if it's a maintenance issue, it will be directed to the Facilities department; if it's a waitlist/transfer complaint, it will be directed to Tenant Placement department; if it's a neighbourhood complaint, lease or policy question, it will be directed to the Property Supervisor. Property Supervisors will reply in writing to complaints directed to them.

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### **REFERENCES**

Hastings Local Housing Corporation Administrative Policies

Municipal Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act

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## **Complaint Form**

Please select the situ	ation below that	t best describes the situati	on you wish to	report:
Maintenance: Rent Charge: Other: Completing this section	□ □ □ on will help us d	Issue with Neighbour: Account Balance: irect your complaint to the	proper staff to	assist you.
If this is a Maintenanc	Circle One			
Did you call the Maintenance Department?			YES	NO
Do the Maintenance S to enter your a	YES	NO		
Briefly describe the p	roblem:			
(please print)				
Tenant Name	Ten	ant Address	Tenant Phone #	
Tenant Signature			Date	