

Residential Rental Agreement®

Residential Tenancies Act 1997
 (Section 26(1))

(Regulation 10(1))

RESIDENTIAL RENTAL AGREEMENT OF NO MORE THAN 5 YEARS

This agreement is between the residential rental provider (rental provider) and the renter listed on this form. Rental providers must use this form for a fixed term residential rental agreement of no more than 5 years or a periodic residential rental agreement in writing.

PART A—GENERAL**1. DATE OF AGREEMENT**

This is the date the agreement is signed _____ day of _____, 20____

If the agreement is signed by the parties on different days, the date of the agreement is the date the last person signs the agreement.

2. PREMISES LET BY RENTAL PROVIDER

Address of premises

501c High Street, Echuca VIC 3564

3. RENTAL PROVIDER'S DETAILS

Full name or company name of rental provider: **C McFarlane**

Address: **C/- 172 Hare Street, Echuca VIC 3564**

Phone number: _____

ACN: _____

Email address: **clkrentals@clk.com.au**

RENTAL PROVIDER'S AGENT DETAILS

Full name: **Wood O'Brien Pty Ltd T/As Charles L King & Co**

Address: **172 Hare Street, ECHUCA VIC 3564**

Phone number: **03 5482 2111**

ACN: **163 122 343**

Email address: **clkrentals@clk.com.au**

Note: The rental provider must notify the renter within 7 days if any of this information changes.

4. RENTER DETAILS

Each renter that is party to the agreement must provide their details here.

Full name of renter: **John McCracken**

Current Address: **501c High Street, Echuca VIC 3564**

Phone number: **0408482046**

Email address: **susieq1311@hotmail.com**

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5. LENGTH OF AGREEMENT

☒ Fixed term agreement

 Start date: **13th day of July, 2021**
 (this is the date the agreement starts and you may move in)

 End date: **12th day of July, 2022**
☐ Periodic agreement (monthly)

Start date: _____ day of _____, 20____

Note: If a fixed term agreement ends and the renter and rental provider do not enter into a new fixed term agreement, and the renter continues to occupy the premises, a periodic (e.g. month by month) residential rental agreement will be formed.

6. RENT

 The rent amount is (\$) **1,604.00**
 (payable in advance)

 To be paid per:
 (tick one box only)

☐ week ☐ fortnight ☒ calendar month

 Day rent is to be paid
 (e.g. each Thursday or the 11th of each month)

Prior to the 13th day of every month

Date first rent payment due

13 / 07 / 2020

7. BOND

The renter has been asked to pay the bond specified below.

Unless the rent is greater than \$900 (per week), the maximum bond is one month's rent. In some cases, the rental provider may ask the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal (VCAT) to increase this limit. The rental provider or their agent must lodge the bond with the Residential Tenancies Bond Authority (RTBA). The bond must be lodged within 10 business days after receiving payment. The RTBA will send the renter a receipt for the bond. If the renter does not receive a receipt within 15 business days from when they paid the bond, they may

- email the RTBA at rtba@justice.vic.gov.au; or
- call the RTBA on 1300 137 164.

Bond amount (\$)

1,480.00

Date bond payment due

15 / 07 / 2019

PART B – STANDARD TERMS

8. RENTAL PROVIDER'S PREFERRED METHODS OF PAYMENT

Note: The rental provider must permit a fee-free (other than the renter's own bank fees) payment method and must allow the renter to use Centrepay or another form of electronic funds transfer.

Note: The renter is entitled to receive a receipt from the rental provider confirming payment of rent.

 Payment Method : **Direct Debit**

 Payment Details : **Automatic transfer via Ezidebit or EFT**

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9. SERVICE OF NOTICES AND OTHER DOCUMENTS BY ELECTRONIC METHODS

- Electronic service of documents must be in accordance with the requirements of the **Electronic Transactions (Victoria) Act 2000**.
- Just because someone responds to an email or other electronic communications does not mean they have consented to the service of notices and other documents by electronic methods.
- The rental provider and renter must notify the other party in writing if they no longer wish to receive notices or other documents by electronic methods.
- The rental provider and renter must immediately notify the other party in writing if their contact details change.

9.1 Does the rental provider agree to the service of notices and other documents by electronic methods such as email?
The rental provider must complete this section before giving the agreement to the renter.

(rental provider to tick as appropriate)

The RENTAL PROVIDER: **C McFarlane**

☒ Yes, at this email address: **clkrentals@clk.com.au**

☐ No.

9.2 Does the renter agree to the service of notices and other documents by electronic methods such as email?

(rental provider to tick as appropriate)

The RENTER: **John McCracken**

☒ Yes, at this email address: **susieq1311@hotmail.com**

☐ No.

(The option to consent should be provided to each renter who is a party to the agreement)

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10. URGENT REPAIRS

- The rental provider must ensure that the rental property is provided and maintained in good repair.
- If there is a need for an urgent repair, the renter should notify the rental provider in writing.

For further information on seeking repairs see **Part D** (below).

Details of person the renter should contact for an urgent repair

(rental provider to insert details)

Emergency contact name: **Charles L King & Co First National Real Estate**

Emergency contact phone: **03 5482 2111**

Emergency contact email: **clkrentals@clk.com.au**

11. PROFESSIONAL CLEANING

The rental provider must not require the renter to arrange professional cleaning or cleaning to a professional standard at the end of the tenancy unless—

- professional cleaning or cleaning to a professional standard was carried out to the rented premises immediately before the start of the tenancy and the renter was advised that professional cleaning or cleaning to a professional standard had been carried out to those premises immediately before the start of the tenancy; or
- professional cleaning or cleaning to a professional standard is required to restore the rented premises to the same condition they were in immediately before the start of the tenancy, having regard to the condition report and taking into account fair wear and tear.

The renter must have all or part of the rented premises professionally cleaned, or pay the cost of having all or part of the rented premises professional cleaned, if professional cleaning becomes required to restore the premises to the condition they were in immediately before the start of the tenancy, having regard to the condition report and taking into account fair wear and tear.

12. OWNERS CORPORATION

Do owners corporation rules apply to the premises? (rental provider to tick as appropriate)

☐ YES

☒ NO

If yes, the rental provider must attach a copy of the rules to this agreement.

13. CONDITION REPORT

The renter must be given 2 copies of the condition report (or one emailed copy) on or before the date the renter moves into the rented premises.

(rental provider to tick as appropriate)

☒ The condition report has been provided.

☐ The condition report will be provided to the renter on or before the date the agreement starts.

PART C - SAFETY-RELATED ACTIVITIES

14. ELECTRICAL SAFETY CHECKS

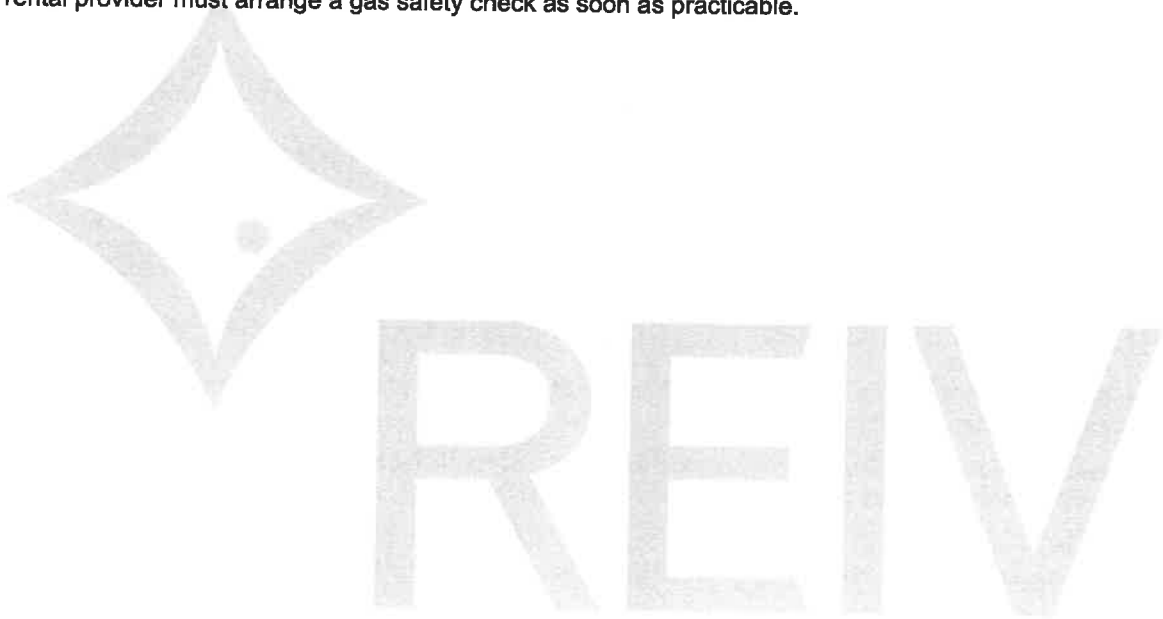
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- (a) The rental provider must ensure an electrical safety check of all electrical installations, appliances and fittings provided by a rental provider in the rented premises is conducted every 2 years by a licensed or registered electrician and must provide the renter with the date of the most recent safety check, in writing, on request of the renter.
- (b) If an electrical safety check of the rented premises has not been conducted within the last 2 years at the time the renter occupies the premises, the rental provider must arrange an electrical safety check as soon as practicable.

15. GAS SAFETY ACTIVITIES

This safety-related activity only applies if the rented premises contains any appliances, fixtures or fittings which use or supply gas.

- (a) The rental provider must ensure that a gas safety check of all gas installations and fittings in the rented premises is conducted every 2 years by a licensed or registered gasfitter and must provide the renter with the date of the most recent safety check, in writing, on request of the renter.
- (b) If a gas safety check has not been conducted within the last 2 years at the time the renter occupies the premises, the rental provider must arrange a gas safety check as soon as practicable.



16. SMOKE ALARM SAFETY ACTIVITIES

- (a) The rental provider must ensure that—
- (i) any smoke alarm is correctly installed and in working condition; and
 - (ii) any smoke alarm is tested according to the manufacturer's instructions at least once every 12 months; and
 - (iii) the batteries in each smoke alarm are replaced as required.
- (b) The rental provider must immediately arrange for a smoke alarm to be repaired or replaced as an urgent repair if they are notified by the renter that it is not in working order.
Note: Repair or replacement of a hard-wired smoke alarm must be undertaken by a suitably qualified person.
- (c) The rental provider, on or before the commencement of the agreement, must provide the renter with the following information in writing—
- (i) information about how each smoke alarm in the rented premises operates;
 - (ii) information about how to test each smoke alarm in the rented premises;
 - (iii) information about the renter's obligations to not tamper with any smoke alarms and to report if a smoke alarm in the rented premises is not in working order.
- (d) The renter must give written notice to the rental provider as soon as practicable after becoming aware that a smoke alarm in the rented premises is not in working order.
Note: Regulations made under the **Building Act 1993** require smoke alarms to be installed in all residential buildings.

17. SWIMMING POOL BARRIER SAFETY ACTIVITIES

These safety-related activities only apply if the rented premises contains a swimming pool.

- (a) The rental provider must ensure that the swimming pool barrier is maintained in good repair.
- (b) The renter must give written notice to the rental provider as soon as practicable after becoming aware that the swimming pool barrier is not in working order.
- (c) The rental provider must arrange for a swimming pool barrier to be immediately repaired or replaced as an urgent repair if they are notified by the renter that it is not in working order.
- (d) The rental provider must provide the renter with a copy of the most recent certificate of swimming pool barrier compliance issued under the **Building Act 1993** on the request of the renter.

18. RELOCATABLE SWIMMING POOL SAFETY ACTIVITIES

These safety-related activities only apply if a relocatable swimming pool is erected, or is intended to be erected, on the rented premises.

- (a) The renter must not erect a relocatable swimming pool without giving written notice to the rental provider before erecting the pool.
- (b) The renter must obtain any necessary approvals before erecting a relocatable swimming pool.
Note: Regulations made under **Building Act 1993** apply to any person erecting a relocatable swimming pool. This safety-related activity only applies to swimming pools or spas that hold water deeper than 300 mm.

19. BUSHFIRE PRONE AREA ACTIVITIES

This safety-related activity only applies if the rented premises is in a bushfire prone area and is required to have a water tank for bushfire safety.

If the rented premises is in a designated bushfire prone area under section 192A of the **Building Act 1993** and a water tank is required for firefighting purposes, the rental provider must ensure the water tank and any connected infrastructure is maintained in good repair as required.

The water tank must be full and clean at the commencement of the agreement.

PART D - RIGHTS AND OBLIGATIONS

This is a summary of selected rights and obligations of renters and rental providers under the Act. Any reference to VCAT refers to the Victorian Civil and Administrative Tribunal.
 For more information, visit consumer.vic.gov.au/renting.

20. USE OF THE PREMISES

The renter—

- is entitled to quiet enjoyment of the premises. The rental provider may only enter the premises in accordance with the Act; and
- must not use the premises for illegal purposes; and
- must not cause a nuisance or interfere with the reasonable peace, comfort or privacy of neighbours; and
- must avoid damaging the premises and common areas. Common areas include hallways, driveways, gardens and stairwells. Where damage occurs, the renter must notify the rental provider in writing; and
- must keep the premises reasonably clean.

21. CONDITION OF THE PREMISES

The rental provider—

- must ensure that the premises comply with the rental minimum standards, and is vacant and reasonably clean when the renter moves in; and
- must maintain the premises in good repair and in a fit condition for occupation; and
- agrees to do all the safety-related maintenance and repair activities set out in **Part C** of the Agreement.

The renter must follow all safety-related activities set out in **Part C** of the agreement and not remove, deactivate or otherwise interfere with the operation of prescribed safety devices on the premises.

22. MODIFICATIONS

The renter—

- may make some modifications without seeking the rental provider's consent. These modifications are listed on the Consumer Affairs Victoria website; and
- must seek the rental provider's consent before installing any other fixtures or additions; and
- may apply to VCAT if they believe that the rental provider has unreasonably refused consent for a modification mentioned in the Act; and
- at the end of the agreement, must restore the premises to the condition it was in before they moved in (excluding fair wear and tear). This includes removing all modifications, unless the parties agree they do not need to be removed.

The rental provider must not unreasonably refuse consent for certain modifications.

A list of the modifications that the rental provider cannot unreasonably refuse consent for is available on the Consumer Affairs Victoria website consumer.vic.gov.au/renting.

23. LOCKS

The rental provider must ensure the premises—

- has locks to secure all windows capable of having a lock; and
- has deadlocks (a deadlock is a deadlatch with at least one cylinder) for external doors that are able to be secured with a functioning deadlock; and

- meets the rental minimum standards for locks and window locks.

External doors which are not able to be secured with a functioning deadlock must at least be fitted with a locking device that—

- is operated by a key from the outside; and
- may be unlocked from the inside with or without a key.

The renter must obtain consent from the rental provider to change a lock in the master key system.

The rental provider must not unreasonably refuse consent for a renter seeking to change a lock in the master key system.

The rental provider must not give a key to a person excluded from the premises under—

- a family violence intervention order; or
- a family violence safety notice; or
- a recognised non-local DVO; or
- a personal safety intervention order.

24. REPAIRS

Only a suitably qualified person may do repairs—both urgent and non-urgent.

25. URGENT REPAIRS

Section 3(1) of the Act defines **urgent repairs**. Refer to the Consumer Affairs Victoria website for the full list of urgent repairs and for more information, visit consumer.vic.gov.au/urgentrepairs.

Urgent repairs include failure or breakdown of any essential service or appliance provided for hot water, cooking, heating or laundering supplied by the rental provider.

The rental provider must carry out urgent repairs after being notified. A renter may arrange for urgent repairs to be done if the renter has taken reasonable steps to arrange for the rental provider to immediately do the repairs and the rental provider has not carried out the repairs.

If the renter has arranged for urgent repairs, the renter may be reimbursed directly by the rental provider for the reasonable cost of repairs up to \$2500.

The renter may apply to VCAT for an order requiring the rental provider to carry out urgent repairs if—

- (a) the renter cannot meet the cost of the repairs; or
- (b) the cost of repairs is more than \$2500; or
- (c) the rental provider refuses to pay the cost of repairs if it is carried out by the renter.

26. NON-URGENT REPAIRS

The renter must notify the rental provider, in writing, as soon as practicable of—

- damage to the premises; and
- a breakdown of facilities, fixtures, furniture or equipment supplied by the rental provider.

The rental provider must carry out non-urgent repairs in a reasonable time.

The renter may apply to VCAT for an order requiring the rental provider to do the repairs if the rental provider has not carried out the repairs within 14 days of receiving notice of the need for repair.

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27. ASSIGNMENT OR SUB-LETTING

The renter must not assign (transfer to another person) or sub-let the whole or any part of the premises without the written consent of the rental provider. The rental provider may give the renter notice to vacate if the renter assigns or sub-lets the premises without consent.

The rental provider—

- cannot unreasonably withhold consent to assign or sub-let the premises; and
- must not demand or receive a fee or payment for consent, other than any reasonable expenses incurred by the assignment.

28. RENT

The rental provider must give the renter at least 60 days written notice of a proposed rent increase.

The rent cannot be increased more than once every 12 months.

The rental provider must not increase the rent under a fixed term agreement unless the agreement provides for an increase by specifying the amount of increase or the method of calculating the rent increase.

29. ACCESS AND ENTRY

The rental provider may enter the premises—

- at any time, if the renter has agreed within the last 7 days; and
- to do an inspection, but not more than once every 6 months; and
- to comply with the rental provider's duties under the Act; and
- to show the premises or conduct an open inspection to sell, rent or value the premises; and
- to take images or video for advertising a property that is for sale or rent; and
- if they believe the renter has failed to follow their duties under the Act; and
- to do a pre-termination inspection where the renter has applied to have the agreement terminated because of family violence or personal violence.

The renter must allow entry to the premises where the rental provider has followed proper procedure.
The renter is entitled to a set amount of compensation for each sales inspection.

30. PETS

The renter must seek consent from the rental provider before keeping a pet on the premises.
The rental provider must not unreasonably refuse a request to keep a pet.

PART E - ADDITIONAL TERMS**31. ADDITIONAL TERMS (IF ANY)**

List any additional terms to this agreement. The terms listed must not exclude, restrict or modify any of the rights and duties included in the Act.

Additional terms must also comply with the Australian Consumer Law (Victoria). For example, they cannot be unfair terms, which will have no effect. Contact Consumer Affairs Victoria on 1300 558 181 for further information or visit consumer.vic.gov.au/products-and-services/business-practices/contracts/unfair-contract-terms.

31.1 Meanings in these additional terms

31.1.1 In these additional terms "I", "me", or "my", are used to describe the rental provider and "you" or "your", the renter. The descriptions apply even if there is more than one rental provider or renter.

31.1.2 *Important advice about "writing". In these additional terms the word "writing" means all ways of

representing or reproducing words, figures, or symbols in a visible form, unless a form prescribed by the Residential Tenancies Act or Regulations or some other legislation must be used. These are examples of "writing": an SMS message, an email, a facsimile and a letter.

- 31.1.3** Before you use an electronic means to send a message or document to me check clause 9.1 to see if I have consented to the electronic service of notices or other documents. If I have, check if I have provided another email address to the one in clause 9.1 or if I have withdrawn my consent. If you can give me a notice or other document by electronic service also check to see if you need to use email instead of an SMS message. If I have not given, or have withdrawn, my consent to receive notices or other documents by electronic means, you will need to use the post or delivery by hand to serve me with notices or other documents.
- 31.2 Other use of the rented premises**
- 31.2.1** You must use the premises primarily as your home. If you also want to use them for some ancillary purpose – for example, as an office for your business, as a rooming house, for short term accommodation, or to provide services to clients visiting the premises, you must ask me in *writing for permission beforehand. Before I decide I may ask you to provide reasonable information about the proposed use, including any proposed alterations to the premises, and if I give my permission, I may ask you to comply with reasonable conditions. Before the rental agreement ends you must also comply with section 64(2) of the Residential Tenancies Act. You cannot use an SMS message to ask me for my permission.
- 31.2.2** Use of the rental premises primarily as a home does not include:
- the storage of flammable liquids or gases apart from in small quantities for normal domestic use,
 - the service or repair of a vehicle or boat of any description except for routine minor maintenance,
 - disposal on the premises, including the land, of any liquid fuels, oils, tyres, paints, or other polluting substances.
- 31.3 Storage and removal of waste and rubbish**
- 31.3.1** You must store rubbish and waste in appropriate containers with close fitting lids.
- 31.3.2** If a place or places are provided for rubbish and waste containers you will keep them there.
- 31.3.3** You will have rubbish and waste removed regularly in accordance with the municipality's rubbish and waste removal timetables.
- 31.3.4** The only waste containers the Rental Tenancies Regulations require me to provide are a rubbish bin and a recycling bin which are provided by the local council, or which are vermin proof and compatible with local council collection.
- 31.4 My insurance on the premises**
- 31.4.1** If I provide you with a copy of my insurance policy for the rented premises you will not do anything that may invalidate it or result in my insurance premium or excess being increased, unless you are entitled to do so by the Residential Tenancies Act 1997 or some other legislation.
- 31.4.2** If it is found you are liable to compensate or reimburse me for damage to any part of the premises, and I recover part or all of the loss I have suffered by making a successful claim on my insurance, you will only be liable to reimburse me for that part of your liability which is not covered by the amount I recover from my insurance.
- 31.4.3** My insurance policy does not cover your goods and personal belongings against theft, loss, or damage. If you wish to insure your goods and personal belongings against theft, loss, or damage it is your responsibility to do so.
- 31.5 Locks (see clause 23) and alarms**
- 31.5.1** Key of a lock means a device or information normally used to operate the lock.
- 31.5.2** Lock means a device for securing a door or window or other part of the premises.
- 31.5.3** Master key system means a set of locks in which each lock or subset of locks has a unique key, and one single key or master key can operate all the locks in the set.
- 31.5.4** You may change locks at the rented premises but only if you install replacement locks that will not be capable of being operated by the keys already provided and will instead be operated by new keys. Any

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change of locks must not breach the minimum standards for locks contained in the Residential Tenancies Act and Regulations.

- 31.5.5** If the lock is keyed alike with other locks in the premises and you make a change to the keying of any of those locks, you must change all the keyed alike locks so that they can continue to be operated by one key.
- 31.5.6** If you change the locks, you must purchase the same number of keys as were supplied to you at the commencement of the tenancy and supply them to me or my managing agent at the end of the tenancy. In addition, you must give to me or my managing agent duplicates of the new key/s as soon as practicable and preferable within one business day of changing the locks.
- 31.5.7** You may change the code of an alarm at the rented premises.
- 31.5.8** If you change the code or install an alarm system you must tell me or my managing agent in *writing of the code as soon as practicable and preferable within one business day of the change or installation. You cannot use and SMS message to tell me of the new code.
- 31.6 Defects (see clauses 25 and 26)**
- 31.6.1** When you become aware of a defect at the rented premises that may injure someone or cause damage you must, in addition to telling me or my managing agent as soon as possible, take reasonable action to avoid risk of injury to yourself or anybody else and to prevent further damage.
- 31.7 Light globes, fluorescent tubes, and LED lights**
- 31.7.1** At the commencement of the rental agreement light globes, fluorescent tubes and LED lights will be in working order. If on taking possession of the rental premises you find this to not be the case, you must notify me or my managing agent as soon as possible so that the problem may be rectified at my expense.
- 31.7.2** During the rental agreement you must replace any light globes, fluorescent tubes, starters, and LED lights that cease to function, unless it has ceased to function due to actions taken by me, my managing agent, or my contractor. The requirement for you to replace LED lights does not extend to instances where the light fitting needs to be replaced, because as with other faulty light fittings, their replacement is my responsibility.
- 31.7.3** If for whatever reason you cannot personally fulfil your obligations, you may at your expense engage a suitable contractor to complete the tasks.
- 31.8 Sewers and septic systems**
- 31.8.1** Things that may cause a blockage must not be placed into the sewerage or septic system, in addition to the toilet/s this includes drainage from the kitchen, laundry and bathroom/s. These are examples of things that may cause a blockage: cotton waste, disposable nappies, excessive amounts of toilet paper, paper towel, tampons, sanitary pads, continence pads, wipes, cooking fats and oils, and food waste. This is not a complete list and has been provided as a guide only.
- 31.8.2** When you become aware to a blockage or defect in the sewerage of septic system you must tell me or my managing agent as soon as possible, preferably within 24 hours, even if you, or anyone you have allowed to come on to the rented premises, including me or my managing agent or my contractor, caused it.
- 31.8.3** If you, or anyone you have allowed to come on to the rented premises negligently or intentionally causes a blockage or defect in the sewerage or septic system you must pay to me the reasonable expenses I incur in having it rectified. You do not have to do so if I, or my managing agent or my contractor caused the blockage or defect.
- 31.9 Gutters, downpipes, and stormwater drains**
- 31.9.1** As part of your obligation under the Residential Tenancies Act to keep the rented premises reasonably clean you must, unless otherwise agreed in writing, keep the gutters, downpipes and stormwater drains free of debris and other matter to the extent that their proper functioning is not impeded. If for whatever reason you cannot personally fulfil this obligation you may at your expense engage a suitable contractor to complete the tasks.
- 31.9.2** If the proper functioning of the gutters, downpipes or stormwater drains is impeded due to a fault or need for repair, you must notify me or my managing agent as soon as possible. If the need for repair or replacement

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is the result of you, other occupants of the rented premises or your visitors intentionally or negligently causing damage to the rented premises or common areas I will arrange for the necessary repair or replacement, however you will be required to reimburse me for the expense.

31.10 Gardens and land

- 31.10.1** If under this rental agreement you are provided with, in addition to the built structures, gardens or land as part of the premises, you must unless otherwise agreed in writing, maintain them in a reasonably clean condition and free from damage apart from fair wear and tear.
- 31.10.2** These are examples of things you may need to do to care for the garden and land: mow grass; water subject to water restrictions, as and when required; remove weeds; rake up and remove lawn cuttings and fallen flowers and leaves; maintain trees, shrubs flowers and other plants; and as far as reasonably possible keep the garden free of pests and vermin. In bushfire prone areas you must take reasonable action to minimise the fuel load on the land during the fire season. This is not a complete list of things you may need to do. I have provided the examples as a guide only. If for whatever reason you cannot personally fulfil this obligation you may at your expense engage a suitable contractor to complete the tasks.
- 31.10.3** You must make a request in *writing for my permission if you wish to remove any plants apart from weeds, or if you wish to change the layout of garden beds, grassed areas, paved areas and so on. The request must not be made by SMS message.
- 31.10.4** You must make a request in *writing for my permission if you wish to plant any trees, shrubs, or vines, apart from those that form part of a vegetable or herb garden. The request must not be made by SMS message.
- 31.10.5** You must not dispose of any polluting or toxic substance on the land.

31.11 Mould

- 31.11.1** You should take all reasonable steps to prevent the development of mould (fungi) in the rented premises. These steps include but are not limited to; ventilating the premises by use of exhaust fans and openable windows provided, particularly if you need to dry washing inside the premises; using an appropriate household cleaner to regularly clean surfaces on which condensation forms; and preventing window furnishings, furniture and clothes being in contact with surfaces on which condensation forms.
- 31.11.2** If you see signs of mould in the premises you must notify me or my managing agent as soon as possible.
- 31.11.3** If the mould has developed due to a fault, such as a leak in the premises, or is related to the building structure I will arrange for it to be rectified and the mould treated. In the meantime, you should take all reasonable steps to avoid exposure to the mould.

31.12 You cannot use your bond to pay rent

- 31.12.1** You acknowledge the Residential Tenancies Act 1997 provides you may not refuse to pay rent for the premises on the ground you intend to regard the bond as rent paid and it allows VCAT to impose a penalty if satisfied a breach of the bond requirements has occurred.

31.13 'To Let', 'Auction', 'For Sale' etc signs at the rented premises

- 31.13.1** You will allow me, or my managing agent, to put up a sign on the rented premises during the final month of the rental agreement indicating the premises will be available for renting. The sign will be positioned so as not to interfere with your use of the rented premises.
- 31.13.2** You will allow me or my estate agent to put up a sign on the premises at any time indicating that it is available to be purchased. The sign will be positioned so as not to interfere with your use of the rented premises.

31.14 Assigning, subletting, or abandoning the rented premises (see clause 27)

- 31.14.1** If during the period of the rental agreement the people in occupation of the rented premises are to change you must notify or my managing agent as soon as possible after you become aware the change is to happen, or has happened, preferably within 24 hours and ask me or my managing agent in *writing for permission to assign your rental agreement or sub-let the rental premises. Neither I nor my managing agent will unreasonably withhold permission. You cannot use an SMS message to ask me or my managing agent for permission.

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- 31.14.2** If the rental agreement is assigned to a new renter or combination of renters, even if some are continuing, I may require you to reimburse me for my reasonable expenses incurred due to the assignment. These expenses will be calculated according to the following formula:

\$250.00 change of renter fee (a dollar value)

- 31.14.3** If you assign or sublet the rental premises without obtaining written permission beforehand and I terminate your rental agreement, or if you abandon the rental premises, I may ask you to reimburse me for expenses I incur in reletting. If I do this the expenses will be calculated according to the following formula:

Equivalent to one weeks rent plus GST and \$70 advertising fee, rent is required to be paid up until the day prior to a new renter commences (A dollar value)

- 31.14.4** My managing agent cannot require payment from you, however they can on my behalf require you to reimburse me for expenses I incur.
- 31.15 Leaving the premises at the end of the fixed term (see clause 5)**
- 31.15.1** If you intend to leave the rental premises at the end of the fixed term on this agreement you need to tell me or my managing agent about your intention at least 28 days before the fixed term comes to an end, or 14 days before the fixed term comes to an end if you fall within one of the categories set out in section 91ZB of the Residential Tenancies Act 1997.
- 31.15.2** You must tell me or my managing agent about your intention to leave in *writing by giving notice in a form which is not an SMS message.
- 31.15.3** You must return all the keys and any key cards and remote controls to me or my managing agent when you leave the rented premises.
- 31.15.4** You must continue to pay rent to me or my managing agent until the end of the fixed term; or to and including the day on which you return all the keys, key cards and remote controls to me or my managing agent if it is after the end of the fixed term. If, with your agreement, the premises are relet from a date before the end of fixed term and you return the keys etc before that date you will only be required to pay rent to and including the day before the new rental agreement commences.
- 31.16 Leaving the premises after the fixed term ends**
- 31.16.1** If you remain in occupation of the rental premises after the fixed term of this agreement ends and you do not enter into a new fixed term agreement with me, you must tell me or my managing agent of your intention to leave specifying a date not less than 28 days after the date you tell me or my managing agent, or 14 days if you fall within one of the categories set out in section 91ZB of the Residential Tenancies Act 1997.
- 31.16.2** You must tell me, or my managing agent, about your intention to leave in *writing in a form that is not an SMS message.
- 31.17 Receipt of condition report /statement of rights and duties**
- 31.17.1** You acknowledge, before you took occupation of the rented premises, you received from me or my managing agent:
- two copies of a condition report signed by me or my managing agent, and
 - a written guide "Renting a home: a guide for tenants" as authorised and published by the Victorian government setting out my rights and duties as a rental provider and your rights and duties as a renter. If you consented to receiving notices electronically this guide may be provided to you electronically.
- 31.18 Rental provider's signature**
- 31.18.1** I may authorise my managing agent to sign this rental agreement on my behalf. In the event you and I (or my managing agent acting on my behalf) have agreed that you will rent the rented premises on the terms set out

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in this document or we have conducted ourselves in such a way as to imply that this was the case, the terms of this rental agreement will be binding even if, through an oversight, a party has neglected to sign it. The Residential Tenancies Act 1997 provides the following definition of a residential rental agreement in section 5:

"residential rental agreement means an agreement, whether or not in writing and whether express or implied, under which a person lets premises as a residence (but does not include an SDA residency agreement) and includes a fixed term residential rental agreement and a periodic residential rental agreement;"
 SDA means Specialist Disability Accommodation.

31.19 Modifications (see clause 22)

- 31.19.1** If you make any modification that does not require my consent you must notify me that you intend to make that modification along with a description of the modification at least 48 hours before making the modification.
- 31.19.2** If you intend to install non-permanent window film for insulation, reduced heat transfer or privacy or install security lights, alarm systems or security cameras, I may require you to engage a suitably qualified person to carry out the work.
- 31.19.3** If you intend to replace curtains you must inform me of where and the manner in which you intend to store the original curtains.

Additional Items

[Insert additional terms]

Note: If you need extra space, attach a separate sheet. Both the rental provider and renter should sign and date all attachments.

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32. SIGNATURES

This agreement is made under the Act.

Before signing you must read **Part D — Rights and Obligations** in this form which outlines your rights and obligations.

RENTAL PROVIDERName: C McFarlaneSign: Dated: 1/6/2021

Signed by S. Eddy on behalf of
C McFarlane.

RENTERName: John McCrackenSign: Dated: 3/6/2021

Note: Each renter who is a party to the agreement must sign and date here. If there are more than 4 renters, include details on an extra page



