

# Manufactured Housing Communities of Oregon

# MHCO Form 07: Statement of Policy

Revised 8-2023   This form is exclusively licensed to:
Name of Community/Park: Address:
<ol> <li>LOCATION AND SIZE OF SPACE</li> <li>The location and approximate size of your space # is as follows: Please see attached map.</li> <li>We do not reserve spaces. It is first come, first served.</li> </ol>
2. FACILITY CLASSIFICATION  This is a (check one) 55 and older family 62 and older, facility. If this is an age 55 and older facility at least one occupant of the home must be 55 years of age or older, and you may not sell your home to someone under age 55. If this is an age 62 and older facility all occupants of the home must be 62 years of age or older, and you may not sell your home to someone under age 62. There are no such limitations if this facility is open to families. However, we cannot promise to keep the present classification forever. It could change. Pursuant to Oregon law, occupancy is limited to two persons per bedroom. In the event that Federal law is interpreted as less restrictive, the Federal law will apply.
3. CURRENT ZONING  The current zoning affecting the use of the rented space is (check with governmental authority to verify):  Permitted uses include mobile/manufactured housing. The zoning authority for this Community is  We are not aware of any pending governmental action which could impact the Community's zoning at this time. Exceptions to the preceding sentence (if any):
4. RENT ADJUSTMENT POLICY Under current state law if your tenancy is month-to-month the landlord may increase your rent with 90 days notice. State law limits monthly rent increase as follows:
TENANT agrees to pay base rent of \$ ("Current Rent") per month payable in advance on the first day of each month commencing on the first day of, 20 LANDLORD and TENANT agree that LANDLORD may increase the Current Rent upon giving TENANT not less than 90 days' advance written notice providing the following information: (a) Effective date that the increased Rent will take effect ("Effective Date"); (b) Amount of the increase ("Rent Increase"); and (c) Amount to the new rent ("New Rent").
SUMMARY OF OREGON RENT CONTROL LAW (2019)
<u>Definitions</u> : (a) <b>Current Rent</b> is the existing monthly base rent exclusive of any other fees or charges payable by the tenant under



the rental agreement; (b) Rent Increase is the amount that Current Rent may be increased as calculated under the Rent Cap Formula; (c) Rent Cap Formula is the maximum combined percentage increase over Current Rent that may be charged to tenants under a Rent Increase, unless exempted under Oregon Law; (d) **New Rent** is the Current Rent plus the Rent Increase. A Rent Increase may always be less than the Rent Cap Formula but may not be <u>more</u>. Exceeding the Rent Cap Formula would result in making the landlord being liable to the tenant in an amount equal to three months' rent plus actual damages suffered by the tenant.

<u>Calculating The Rent Cap Formula</u>: (a) Current Rent may not be increased during the first year of a Tenant's tenancy; (b) Rent may only be increased once within any subsequent 12-month period; (c) No Rent Increase may exceed the lesser of: (i) 10% X Current Rent or (ii) Seven percent (7.00%) above the Current Rent (7% X Current Rent) <u>plus</u> the percentage change in the consumer price index ("CPI") times the Current Rent (% of CPI Change X Current Rent), hereinafter collectively referred to as the "Rent Cap Formula").

Consumer Price Index ("CPI"): This refers to the annual 12-month average change in the Consumer Price Index for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items), as published by the Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor ("BLS") in September of the prior calendar year.

According to the BLS, in September 2022, the 12-month average change was 7.6%. This figure should always be used when calculating the maximum CPI percentage change figure under the Rent Cap Formula until the September 2023 CPI figure is formally issued. [For information on the 12- month average changes go to MHCO.org.]

Example: Assume Current Rent is \$400 per month. The annual 12-month average change in the CPI for All Urban Consumers, West Region (All Items) in September 2022 was 7.6%. 7% plus 7.6% is 14.6% which exceeds the 10% rental cap. Therefore, a Rent Increase notice issued on or after July 6, 2023 (the Effective Date of SB 611) may not exceed the sum of (a) 10.00% X \$400 = \$40.00. Thus, commencing on the Effective Date, the New Rent may not exceed \$440.00.

Exclusion From Rent Cap Formula: The above Rent Cap calculation does not apply if (1) the dwelling unit's first certificate of occupancy was issued less than 15 years before the date of the notice of rent increase; or (2) the landlord is providing reduced rent to a resident as part of a federal, state or local program or subsidy, and the rent increase (a) does not increase the tenant's portion of the rent, or (b) is required by the program eligibility requirements or is due to a tenant's change in income.

<u>Communities Located In City of Portland</u>: If a Community is located within the City of Portland, a Rent Increase of ten percent or more can result in the Landlord having to pay a Tenant's "relocation assistance" of thousands of dollars. If your community is located in Portland, you should consult with your attorney before issuing a rent increase notice.

Our policy is the same. We reserve the right to charge you certain other fees, deposits and charges (such as utility charges, which may be passed through directly to you) which are not regarded as "rent" and may be increased without a prior 90-day notice.

# **Additional Fees**

Late Fee	\$
N.S.F. Checks	\$
Extra Parking	\$
Add'l Occupant	\$
Other	 \$

Many financial consultants and mortgage lenders advise consumers to keep the total of rent, utility and mobile/manufactured housing mortgage payments below 30% of take-home pay or income. This can be important if your income is fixed. Please understand that we want you as a Tenant if you can afford it. We don't want to create financial problems for you or us, so we share these facts with you.



# 5. PERSONAL PROPERTY, SERVICES AND FACILITIES PROVIDED BY LANDLORD

other					_•
outside space lighting,	laundromat,	visitor parking,	recreation room,	pool,	RV parking
(check all applicable box(es)):	mailboxes,	garbage containe	rs, water line,	faucet	for outdoor use,
additional personal property, ser	vices or facilities	for the use of reside	nts, except as indicate	d below. W	/e provide the following
In addition to the services necess	ary to maintain tl	he facility in a habita	able condition, the lan	dlord will	not be providing any

Some things you should know we do not provide are: (delete inapplicable items): yard maintenance of Tenant spaces, locked gates, security guards, restricted access to the Community, emergency first aid, and emergency utilities or R.V. parking. We must ask you to be responsible for the security of your own home and possessions and report any security problems to police and management.

Our policy on landscape maintenance is as follows: You maintain your space, including the lawn and all trees (except hazard trees not planted by Tenant, which are Landlord's responsibility) and shrubs and we maintain the common areas. See, ORS 90.727 regarding tree maintenance. Any exterior improvements or construction you intend to make to your space, including but not limited to fencing, landscaping or sheds, or to the exterior of the home (such as skirting, porches, painting, garage, carport, etc.), must first receive written approval of management, and must conform to all local, State and Federal laws, ordinances and regulations. Mobile/manufactured home set-up must meet all applicable codes and be completed within the number of days designated in your rental agreement.

Upon termination of your tenancy, the space must be left in substantially the same condition as it was upon commencement. You will be solely responsible for all damage to the space as a result of initial siting of the home and its removal from the space. All plantings or other landscaping placed upon the space, whether by the Landlord or Tenant, shall become the property of the Landlord upon termination of the tenancy, unless the parties agree otherwise in writing prior to such termination.

# 6. UTILITIES AND SERVICES AND PAYMENT RESPONSIBILITY

Sewer	Pay By:	Furnished By:
Garbage	Pay By:	Furnished By:
Water	Pay By:	Furnished By:
Electricity	Pay By:	Furnished By:
Phone	Pay By:	Furnished By:
Cable TV	Pay By:	Furnished By:
Garbage Cans	Pay By:	

Changes to Utilities and Services: Please note that even if Landlord has agreed to pay for any utilities noted above, the rental agreement may allow for landlord to change this and pass all utilities through directly to you. We reserve the right to change utility payment arrangements, including the billing procedure, with reasonable notice to you. Unless your rental agreement provides otherwise, we reserve the right to bill you separately for utility service fees and charges assessed by the utility for services provided to or for spaces in the Community. Any separately billed utility fees and charges shall not be considered to be included in the rent charged for those spaces under the rental agreement and shall not be considered to be rent or a rent increase. Utility services to which this applies are natural or liquid propane gas, electricity, water, cable television, garbage or refuse service, and sewer service. However, nothing contained herein shall be construed to require our rental agreement to provide for separate billing to tenants of fees and charges. Nonessential utilities, such as cable TV, could be discontinued if no provider were available or bulk rates (where applicable) were not available.

# 7. INSTALLATION CHARGES IMPOSED BY LANDLORD OR GOVERNMENT

All costs of moving a home the Community and all damages resulting from this process are solely your responsibility. Your costs to get into the Community are shown below: Installation charges imposed by landlord:



Government installation charges (approximate): County Permit Fees are \$;			
Trip Permit Fee is \$	(excluding cost of pilot car). These charges apply only to moving a home into the		
Community. Electrical permit for hook-u	p depends upon who performs the service. Plumbing permit fee is \$		
Other (for	) \$		

#### 8. RENTAL AGREEMENT TERMINATION POLICY

Under current state law, your tenancy may terminate for cause as specified by law, which includes, among other causes, the failure to pay rent, violation of Community rules or your rental agreement. It may also terminate upon closure of the Community or upon expiration of your rental agreement term. Our policy is the same.

## 9. COMMUNITY CLOSURE POLICY

Under current state law, if a manufactured dwelling park, or a portion of the park that includes the space for a manufactured dwelling, is to be closed and the land or leasehold converted to a use other than as a manufactured dwelling park (and the closure is not required by the exercise of eminent domain or by order of federal, state or local agencies) the Landlord may terminate a month-to-month or fixed term rental agreement for a manufactured dwelling park space by giving Tenants not less than 365 days' notice in writing before the date designated in the notice for termination and by paying Tenants one of the following amounts for their dwelling: (a) \$5,000 if it is a single-wide; (b) \$7,000 if it is a double-wide; or (c) \$9,000 if it is a triple-wide or larger. Certain local jurisdictions in Oregon may have ordinances that provide increased benefits and/or money to Tenants located in a manufactured dwelling park that is closing. Our policy is the same. You are encouraged to review ORS Chapter 90 (Oregon's landlord-tenant law) and your local city or county ordinances regarding park closure, or have an expert do so on your behalf before entering into your tenancy. We have no current plans to close all or any portion of the Community, but this could change in the future.

# 10. POLICY REGARDING SALE OF THE COMMUNITY

Pursuant to Oregon law, if requested by a tenant association or facility purchase association ("the association") to do so, the owner is obliged to notify them of the listing for sale of the Community or of written offers of purchase which the landlord intends to consider. Thereafter, the landlord may be required to negotiate in good faith with the association for sale of the Community to them. This does not apply to tax deferred exchanges of the Community. Our policy is the same. We have no present intention to sell the Community, but you must understand that this could change in the future.

# 11. DISPUTE RESOLUTION POLICY

To encourage Community residents and the owner/manager to settle disputes, it is the policy of this Community that each issue with merit shall be given a fair hearing within 30 days of receipt of a written complaint. Either party may request no-cost mandatory mediation of a dispute. They may be initiated by either Landlord or Tenant through Housing and Community Services Department in a format required by the Department. All matters to be resolved must be jointly agreed upon by all parties. All communications in mediation are strictly confidential and may not be used in any legal proceedings. There are several specific topics that are not subject to mediation. The law does not require any party to reach agreement on any or all issues or participate in more the one mediation session; nor shall sessions continue for an unreasonable amount of time. The preceding is a summary only. For details, Tenant should review ORS 90.767. See, also, <a href="https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/mmcrc/Pages/dispute-resolution-how-it-works.aspx">https://www.oregon.gov/ohcs/mmcrc/Pages/dispute-resolution-how-it-works.aspx</a> or call 503-986-2145, Manufactured & Marina Communities Resource Center (MMCRC) The mandatory mediation program is described in the MHCO Mediation Policy Addendum (Form 04). The specific procedure for mandatory mediation or informal dispute resolution is also set forth in your rental agreement and/or Rules and Regulations. However, we do not offer arbitration or mediation for certain disputes including: (a) Nonpayment of rent or other fees and charges provided in the rental agreement; (b) Increases in rent; (c) Closure or sale of the Community; or (d) Disputes for which the owner/manager could terminate the tenancy with 24-hour notice under ORS 90.400, or (e) Any dispute which resulted in a non-curable notice such as a repeat rules violation or a "three strikes" violation.



## 12. LIABILITY INSURANCE

In the event landlord requires tenant-carried liability insurance the following applies: (a) Landlord must also maintain a comparable liability insurance policy; (b) Landlord's coverage must be posted in a common area or available upon request; and (c) Tenant's required coverage may not be less than \$100,000 per occurrence. Additional landlord and tenant rights apply. See, MHCO Form No. 07 and ORS 90.527.

## 13. OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

13.1 The	term of this tenancy			
	is: Month to month			
	Fixed term tenancy	("lease") commencing on the	day of	, and ending on
the	day of	Prior to 60 days befo	ore the ending date	of the lease, Landlord has right, but not
the obliga	ation, to provide tena	nt with a new lease agreement and	new rules and regul	ations (hereinafter "the new documents").
Tenant m	ust notify landlord ir	writing no later than thirty (30) day	s before the ending	date whether tenant will accept the new
documen	ts. If tenant fails or u	nreasonably refuses to sign the new	documents, the lea	se shall terminate on the ending date, with
no furthe	r notice or demand fr	om landlord, and tenant shall vacat	e the space. If tenar	t voluntarily vacates the space, tenant shall
have the i	right to enter into a st	orage agreement with landlord prov	iding that for a perio	od of up to 180 days if tenant pays a monthly
storage fe	e (not exceeding the	current rent charged other tenants i	n the community) he	e/she may resell the home to a purchaser
who, if ap	proved by landlord, i	may become a tenant in at the Park.	If the landlord fails t	o provide the new documents to tenant prior
to 60 days	s before the ending d	ate, the tenancy shall automatically	become a month-to	-month tenancy upon the same terms and
condition	s as contained in the	lease, subject to landlord's right to i	ncrease the rent pur	suant to Oregon law. Our policy is the same.
	existing base rent for ts, which are additio		/month. This is ex	clusive of all other applicable fees, charges

13.4 Pursuant to ORS 90.155 all notices between landlord and tenant shall be transmitted by one of the following three alternatives:

13.3 In the event of any change of Oregon or Federal law, landlord reserves the right to require that the tenant sign a new rental agreement to comply therewith. Oregon Laws permit the rules and regulations to be amended by the landlord from time to time. Unless 51% of the units in the Community object in writing within thirty (30) days of receiving notice of a proposed rule change, it shall become effective for all tenants sixty (60) days after the date that the notice was served by the landlord. Our policy is the same.

- 1) Personal delivery; or
- 2) First class mail (not certified). The minimum period for compliance or termination of tenancy in the mailed notice shall be extended by three days, and the written notice shall refer to the extension; or
- 3) If a written rental agreement so provides for both landlord and tenant, the notice may be sent via first class mail and also securely attached to the front entrance of the addressee's home or office. Mailing and attachment must occur on the same day. No three day extension is required for compliance or termination of tenancy if a notice is issued in this manner.
- 13.5 Spaces and/or homes (check one): may may not be subleased or transferred. If subleasing or transfer is permitted, landlord's consent shall first be required. All homes must be owner-occupied. Tenant shall not sell their home to a person who intends to leave it on the space until the landlord has accepted the purchaser as a tenant. Landlord may give the new purchaser a rental agreement which contains terms different than those in the existing tenant's rental agreement. Landlord reserves the right to require that based upon sale, the tenant or the purchaser perform certain required repairs to the home due to damage or deterioration. Landlord also reserves the right to impose as a condition of sale that tenant comply with certain other requirements, such as payment of all past due rent, payment of all past due taxes or assessments. If certain repairs are not made to the home following written notice from the landlord to do so, the home may have to be removed from the Community. Removal may affect market value of the home.



13.6 Oregon law and Federal law permit the landlord to impose conditions upon approval of a tenant relating to, but not limited to; pets, number of occupants, credit references, character references, and criminal records. Please read your rental agreement closely for details. Our policy is the same as these laws.

- 13.7 Landlord reserves the right, from time to time, to amend this Statement of Policy and exhibits based upon changes in State or Federal law, or changes in policy of the Community.
- 13.8The following temporary and permanent improvements are required to be installed by tenant on the mobile home space as a condition of occupancy in the Community:

Improvement Date of Completion			
Skirting da	ys following occupancy		
Awningda	ys following occupancy		
Landscapingda	ys following occupancy		
Decking da	ys following occupancy		
14. THE FOLLOWING ATTACHMENTS AR	E EXHIBITS TO THIS DOCUMENT:		
Community map			
Rental agreement			
Rules and regulations			
Rent history			
If a tenants' association exists in t	ne Community and they have pro	vided a one-page summary abo	out the association to the
Landlord, that summary is attache	ed.		
Effective Date: until su		Exhibits by signing here or by s	igning a separate receipt.
Community Owner/Agent:		Date:	
Name of Community/Park:			
Address:			
TENANT(S):		Date:	
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