



Real Estate

Q: I own rental properties and heard about Seattle's new Rental Registration and Inspection Ordinance (RRIO). What do I need to do to comply?

A: The new RRIO helps ensure that all rental housing in Seattle is safe and meets basic housing maintenance requirements. All properties with 10 or more rental housing units must be registered with the Seattle Department of Planning and Development by September 30, 2014. The deadline for all properties with five to nine rental units is March 31, 2015, and deadlines for all properties with one to four rental units are determined by ZIP code. You may register your rental property by

completing an online form and paying a registration fee, and you must certify that your rental property meets certain minimum housing standards. Registrations must be renewed every five years. After registration, the City will notify you when your property is scheduled for inspection.

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