



FAIR HOUSING FACT SHEET

We fight housing discrimination. We strengthen communities.

I. Federal Fair Housing Act of 1968 as amended in 1988

 No discrimination allowed in any housing transaction including: rental; sales; insurance; mortgage; and advertising.

II. Protected Classes

- Federal Protections: Race; Color; Religion; Sex; National Origin: Familial Status; and Disability
- · State Protection: Age
- Philadelphia Protections Source of Income;
 Marital Status; Gender Identity; Sexual Orientation;
 and Status as a Victim of Abuse or Domestic Violence

III. Common Forms of Illegal Housing Discrimination:

FEDERAL PROTECTIONS



Race

- Refuse to rent when units are available
- 2: Refuse to accept a bona fide offer
- 3: Steering
- 4: Illegal advertisements
- 5: Hate crimes



Religion

- 1: Illegal advertisement
- 2: Refuse to rent when units are available
- Refuse to accept a bona fide offer



Gender

- Sexual Harassment (Quid Pro Quo/ Hostile Environment)
- 2: Predatory lending
- 3: Steering
- 4: Domestic violence



Color

- Refuse to rent when units are available
- Refuse to accept a bona fide offer
- 3: Steering
- 4: Illegal advertisements
- 5: Hate crimes

PENNSYLVANIA STATE PROTECTION



National Origin

- Refuse to rent when units are available
- 2: Refuse to accept a bona fide offer
- 3: Steering
- 4: Hate crimes
- Refuse to rent due to undocumented status
- Refuse to accept a variety of alternative forms of identification



Familial Status

- 1: No kids policies
- 2: Illegal advertisement ("Adult Community" or "Active Community")
- 3: Requiring separate bedrooms for opposite sex children
- Refuse to rent when units are available
- Refuse to accept a bona fide offer
- 6: Steering
- 7: Applying restrictive policies to children



Disability

- Refuse to rent when units are available
- 2: Refuse to accept a bona fide offer
- 3: Refuse requests for Reasonable Modifications
- 4: Accessibility flaws
- 5: Refuse request for Reasonable Accommodation



Age

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PHILADELPHIA PROTECTIONS

According to Philadelphia law you cannot be discriminated against because of:



Source of Income



Marital Status



Gender Identity



Sexual Orientation



Pomestic/Sexual Assault