

Know Your Rights as a Tenant

Retaliation

Retaliation against tenants is prohibited by the Dallas City Code, Sec. 27-5.2. Retaliation includes, but is not limited to, a rent increase, diminished services or eviction in response to a complaint.

You may report retaliation by filing a written complaint with the [city attorney](#).

View the entire ordinance here: [Sec. 27-5.2, Retaliation Against Tenants Prohibited](#).

Fair Housing

The [Fair Housing Act](#) protects people from discrimination when they are renting, buying, or securing financing for any housing.

Click [here](#) for more information or to file a complaint.

Resources

[Texas Attorney General](#)

Learn about tenants' rights including helpful tips for dealing with unresponsive landlords.

[Texas Tenant Advisor](#)

Provides general information regarding Texas residential tenancies.

[Housing Crisis Center](#)

Telephone counselors are available Monday through Friday, 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. to answer questions and provide information regarding tenant rights and responsibilities.

[Texas Tenants' Union](#)

Nonprofit tenants' rights organization empowers tenants through education and organizing to protect their rights, preserve their homes, improve their living conditions and enhance quality of life. Offers free weekly tenants' rights workshops and one-to-one help.

[Texas Young Lawyers Association](#)

Facilitates the administration of justice, fosters respect for the law, and advances the role of the legal profession in serving the public.

- [TYLA Tenant's Rights Handbook](#)

[TexasLawHelp.org](#)

Website dedicated to providing free, reliable legal information to low-income Texans.

- [Landlord Tenant Law-ENGLISH](#)
- [Landlord Tenant Law-SPANISH](#)