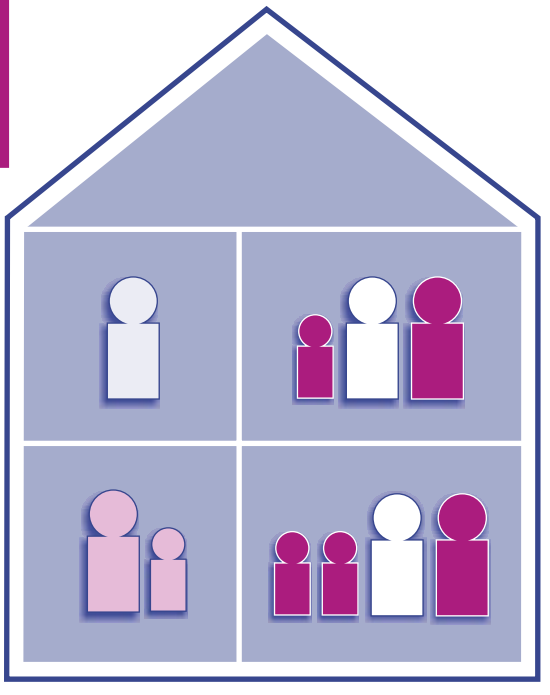


Houses in Multiple Occupation

Tenants Guide



**Are you living
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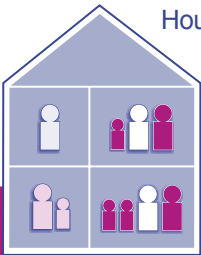
Are you living in a **Privately Rented Property?**

If so, please read this, it may apply to you

The law has recently changed concerning large houses where people who are not related live together and share facilities (like kitchens and/or bathrooms etc); certain houses in this category may need to be LICENSED by the South Hams District Council.

As of November 2005, the law will require that all properties which are 3 floors or more in height (this can include properties that have shops, offices etc, occupying 1 or more floors), have 5 or more people who do not live in a single household (i.e. usually not related to each other) and share some facilities, such as a kitchen or bathroom, and are not owned by a

Housing Association or Trust, then these properties need to be LICENSED by the South Hams District Council.



If you are unsure whether your property needs to be licensed or not please contact

Private Sector Housing,

Environmental Health,
Follaton House,
Plymouth Road,
Totnes,
TQ9 5NE.

Tel: 01803 - 861234

Fax: 01803 - 861294

Email:

environmental.health@southhams.gov.uk

Remember

properties which have:

- 3 storeys or more
- 5 people or more, in more than one household
- shared facilities

Will need to be licensed



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