



FACT SHEET 4: MAKING A GOOD IMPRESSION

Your application may be competing with other people's applications for a rental property. The lessor decides how many people should live in the property and whether or not your application will be accepted.

You can create a good impression by:

- **Dressing neatly**, as if you are going for a job interview
- **Being on time** or early for appointments and open inspections
- **Taking only your partner or co tenants** to appointments and inspections so you can give the lessor/agent your complete attention
- **Introducing yourself** by name
- **Answering questions** politely
- Having a **list of any questions** you want to ask about the property
- **Taking photocopies of all documents** (ID, references) and a pen so you can complete an application straight away. Refer to *Fact Sheet 2 - Documents you need to rent a property*.

When you apply for a property, the lessor or agent will check your references and if you are listed on a tenancy database. If you know that you are listed on a tenancy database, it is best to tell the agent this and explain why you are listed. *Fact Sheet 9: Tenancy Databases* provides further information.

For further information

This fact sheet is part of a series of fact sheets, including:

- Fact Sheet 1 – *Identifying your housing needs*
- Fact Sheet 2 – *Documents you need to rent a property*
- Fact Sheet 3 – *Finding a property to rent*
- Fact Sheet 5 – *Inspecting a property to rent*
- Fact Sheet 6 – *Applying for a tenancy*
- Fact Sheet 7 – *Starting a tenancy*
- Fact Sheet 8 – *Where to get help when renting*
- Fact Sheet 9 – *Tenancy databases*

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