

The Rent Supplement Program Regulations

Repealed

by Chapter S-24 Reg 8 (effective July 9, 2003).

Formerly

Chapter S-24 Reg 6 (effective June 28, 1990).

NOTE:

This consolidation is not official. Amendments have been incorporated for convenience of reference and the original statutes and regulations should be consulted for all purposes of interpretation and application of the law. In order to preserve the integrity of the original statutes and regulations, errors that may have appeared are reproduced in this consolidation.

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CHAPTER S-24 REG 6

The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Act

TITLE AND INTERPRETATION

Title

- 1 These regulations may be cited as *The Rent Supplement Program Regulations*.

Interpretation

- 2 In these regulations:

- (a) **“Act”** means *The Saskatchewan Housing Corporation Act*;
- (b) **“agreement”** means the Global Agreement on Social Housing entered into between the corporation and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation on July 7, 1986, as amended from time to time;
- (c) **“eligible applicant”** means a household that:
 - (i) is receiving assistance pursuant to the program; or
 - (ii) is in core housing need as defined in the agreement;but does not include a household that is in arrears to the partnership with respect to the repayment of any assistance received pursuant to any program operated by the partnership;
- (d) **“eligible owner”** means a landlord, a housing co-operative or a non-profit corporation incorporated pursuant to *The Non-profit Corporations Act* that is not receiving social housing assistance;
- (e) **“household”** means a person or group of persons that is resident in Saskatchewan but does not include a person or group of persons that has a principal place of residence outside Saskatchewan;
- (f) **“operating agreement”** means an agreement:
 - (i) entered into between the corporation and an eligible owner; and
 - (ii) designed to govern the rights and duties of the corporation and the eligible owner with respect to:
 - (A) the provision of a subsidy by the corporation to the eligible owner; and
 - (B) the provision of suitable, cost-effective rental accommodation by the eligible owner to eligible applicants;
- (g) **“partnership”** means a joint operation of the corporation and the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation designed to provide assistance to eligible applicants in obtaining adequate and affordable housing;

- (h) **“program”** means the Rent Supplement Program established pursuant to section 3;
- (i) **“social housing assistance”** means a grant or subsidy intended to assist households in meeting their shelter costs but does not include:
- (i) assistance provided under section 26, 27 or 61 of the *National Housing Act* (Canada), as amended from time to time;
 - (ii) mortgage interest assistance provided under section 95 of the *National Housing Act* (Canada), as amended from time to time; and
 - (iii) funding provided under section 51 of the *National Housing Act* (Canada), as amended from time to time, for the Residential Rehabilitation Assistance Program for the Disabled;
- (j) **“subsidy”** means a subsidy provided by the corporation to an eligible owner in accordance with the operating agreement.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s2.

PLACEMENT OF ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Program established

3 The Rent Supplement Program is established to assist eligible owners in providing suitable, cost-effective rental accommodation to eligible applicants.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s3.

Application

4(1) Subject to subsection (2), where an eligible applicant wishes to obtain rental accommodation from an eligible owner, the eligible applicant shall submit his or her application to the corporation.

(2) Where the corporation designates an eligible owner for the purpose, an eligible applicant may submit his or her application to that eligible owner.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s4.

Placement

5(1) Where:

- (a) the corporation receives an application from an eligible applicant pursuant to subsection 4(1); and
- (b) in the opinion of the corporation, the eligible applicant meets the criteria prescribed in the agreement and its operating agreement with an eligible owner;

the corporation may refer the eligible applicant to the eligible owner for the provision of rental accommodation.

- (2) Where an eligible owner:
- (a) has an eligible applicant referred to it pursuant to subsection (1), that eligible owner, subject to the availability of rental units, shall provide rental accommodation to that eligible applicant; and
 - (b) receives an application pursuant to subsection 4(2) and, in the opinion of the eligible owner, the eligible applicant meets the criteria prescribed in the agreement and its operating agreement with the corporation, the eligible owner may provide rental accommodation to that eligible applicant.
- (3) Where an eligible owner provides rental accommodation to an eligible applicant pursuant to subsection (2), the eligible owner shall provide that accommodation in accordance with its operating agreement with the corporation.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s5.

SUBSIDIES TO ELIGIBLE OWNERS

Application

- 6** An eligible owner may apply to the corporation for a subsidy.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s6.

Application requirements

- 7** Every eligible owner who applies for a subsidy shall:
- (a) apply in writing to the corporation; and
 - (b) provide any information that the corporation considers necessary to determine if the eligible owner is entitled to a subsidy and the amount of any subsidy.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s7.

Subsidy

- 8** The corporation may provide a subsidy to eligible owners who have entered into an operating agreement with the corporation.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s8.

Selection

- 9** In determining which eligible owners are to receive a subsidy pursuant to section 8, the corporation shall take into account:

- (a) any proposal made by an eligible owner; and
- (b) guide-lines agreed to by the partnership;

with respect to the provision of suitable, cost-effective rental accommodation to eligible applicants.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s9.

ELIGIBLE APPLICANTS

Payment

10 Every eligible owner who provides rental accommodation to an eligible applicant shall ensure that the eligible applicant makes monthly payments to that owner in accordance with the agreement.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s10.

Annual Income Review

11(1) The corporation shall:

- (a) conduct an annual income review of the eligible applicant; and
- (b) obtain verification of annual income by requiring each member of the eligible applicant's household who is 15 years of age or older and is working or otherwise receiving income to submit to the corporation or its agent:
 - (i) a certified copy of the most recent income tax return filed by that member;
 - (ii) a declaration of income signed by the member's employer;
 - (iii) cheque stubs or statements showing the amount of pension or other income being received by that member;
 - (iv) where the eligible applicant or any member of the applicant's household is in receipt of social assistance, verification of income from the agency responsible for providing the social assistance; or
 - (v) any other evidence of income that the corporation considers necessary.

(2) Where the corporation designates an eligible owner for the purpose, that eligible owner shall:

- (a) conduct the annual income review; and
- (b) obtain the verification of annual income;

required pursuant to subsection (1).

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s11.

Conditions of operating agreement

12 Sections 5 and 10 are deemed to be a condition of every operating agreement, and every eligible owner that enters into an operating agreement with the corporation shall comply with those sections.

13 Jly 90 cS-24 Reg 6 s12.