



How to report repair needs to a landlord

- Talk to your landlord.
- Request resolution of problem in writing (email with date/time, pictures.)
- If it's not resolved after 3 attempts, search for your local inspection office in your town or city or file a complaint with the Board of Health.

Learn more: <https://www.masslegalhelp.org/housing-apartments-shelter/repairs-bad-conditions/documenting-problem>

Learn more:



Find out if your house is safe

Use **Up to Code** to see if where you live is safe according to the state sanitation rules.

Learn more: <https://madeuptocode.org/>

Learn more:



Pediatric Environmental Health Center at Boston Children's Hospital Healthy Homes (HHOMES) Program

Learn about this clinic and how to address environmental concerns in your home.

Learn more: <https://www.childrenshospital.org/programs/pediatric-environmental-health-center/hhomes>

Learn more:



Lead poisoning

Visit MassLegalHelp.org for information on laws protecting tenants from lead poisoning.

Learn more: <https://www.masslegalhelp.org/housing-apartments-shelter/repairs-bad-conditions/how-lead-laws-protect-tenants-massachusetts>

Learn more:



Boston Inspectional Services

File Boston311 requests, contact inspectional services departments and more.

Learn more: <https://www.boston.gov/departments/inspectional-services>

Learn more:



Housing Consumer Education Centers of Massachusetts (HCEC)

Ask your local HCEC questions related to landlords/tenants, housing problems, etc.

Find your agency: <https://masshousinginfo.org/>

Find your agency here:



Massachusetts Attorney General's Office Consumer Services Consumer Advocacy & Response Division (CARD)

Find resources for homeowners. CARD can also refer you to other consumer support services available in your area.

Learn more: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/consumer-services-at-the-attorney-general's-office>

Learn more:



Eviction Assistance: Massachusetts Legal Resource Finder

Find free or discounted legal help on housing issues and more.

Learn more: <https://masslrf.org/en/home>

Learn more:



Eviction assistance: greater Boston legal services

Use a self-guided eviction help tool.

Learn more: <https://www.qbils.org/MADE>

Learn more:



Boston 311

Report non-emergency issues, like potholes and graffiti in your neighborhood. (Boston.gov, 2024)

Learn more: <https://www.boston.gov/departments/boston-311>

Learn more:



Looking for more information on housing conditions?

Visit <https://www.mass211.org/> or call **(877) 211-6277**

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