

CDC ORDER ISSUED SEPTEMBER 4, 2020

The CDC issued an Order, effective on September 4, 2020, pursuant to 42 USCS Section 264 of the Public Health Service Act and 42 CFR 70.2 to temporarily halt certain residential evictions to prevent the spread of COVID-19. This order will expire on December 31, 2020. Here is a summary:

- The order is a temporary eviction moratorium under certain conditions.
- The order does not:
 - ♣ relieve any individual of the obligation to pay rent, make housing payments, or from complying with other tenancy/lease obligations
 - ♣ include mortgage foreclosures
 - ♣ prevent charging or collecting fees, penalties, or interest because of failure to pay
 - ♣ preclude evictions based on tenant engaging in criminal activity while on property; threatening the health and safety of other residents, damaging or posing an immediate and significant risk of damage to property; violating applicable building code, health ordinance, or similar health and safety regulations; or violating other contractual obligations other than timely payment of rent and fees.

Thus, to all tenants, lessees, or residents of residential properties who are covered by the CDC's order temporarily halting residential evictions (not including foreclosures on home mortgages) to prevent the further spread of COVID-19. Under the CDC's order you must provide a copy of a declaration to your landlord, owner of the residential property where you live, or other person who has a right to have you evicted or removed from where you live. The declaration is to be sworn testimony, meaning that you can be prosecuted, subject to incarceration, or pay a fine if you lie, mislead, or omit important information. Each adult listed on the lease, rental agreement, or housing contract should complete this declaration.

Unless the CDC order is extended, changed, or ended, the order prevents you from being evicted or removed from where you are living through December 31, 2020.

The full CDC Order and downloadable Declaration is available on our website @ www.lawtwp.org.

