

Commercial Diving Institute of Canada (CDI)

Tenancy Rights in British Columbia

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Key Tenancy Rights

1. Landlords must prepare a written agreement. *Even if a written agreement is not signed the standard terms of a tenancy agreement still apply.
2. Take the time necessary to read the tenancy agreement. If you're not confident of what the agreement is stating, seek assistance to ensure your questions are answered.
3. Both, the tenant and the landlord are required to sign the agreement.
4. Landlords and tenants can both apply for dispute resolution. This is the last step if your unable to work out a tenancy issue.
5. Quiet Enjoyment. All tenants have the right to live peacefully in a rental unit.
6. Locking a tenant out of a rental unit is illegal. If this was to happen a tenant can contact, the Tenant Resource & Advisory Center or the Residential Tenancy Branch. Seeking a legal advocate or advice from a lawyer may also be considered.

Government of British Columbia Tenancy Rights in British Columbia

Link: <https://www2.gov.bc.ca/gov/content/housing-tenancy/residential-tenancies/during-a-tenancy/tenant-rights>

ITEM 1.1.1 Safe Accommodations

CDI Accommodation Options. Begin your search for accommodations by reviewing these school approved links.

1. University of British Columbia Okanagan Summer Accommodations (May to August) UBCO Accommodations provides an excellent choice for CDI students attending short courses between May and August each year. Link: <https://stayatubco.ca/accommodations/>
2. Student Accommodations. Excellent Resource for finding safe student accommodations. Link: <https://www.dorms.com/Canada/Kelowna>
3. University District Kelowna – Student Rentals. Known locally as University Heights. This location offers plenty of safe, affordable student accommodations. Link: <https://www.universitydistrictkelowna.com/rentals>
4. Castanet. Kelowna's Homepage for rental accommodations. Castanet is a highly respected local website that has been a trusted source for students looking for safe accommodation. Link: https://classifieds.castanet.net/cat/rentals/shared_and_roommates/
5. Contact CDI for a current list of alumni approved homestays. CDI is fortunate to have some homeowners that have supported the school for more than 3 decades.

ITEM 1.1.2 Avoiding Scams

When it comes to finding safe accommodations, questions may arise and the CDI Admissions Department wants to let all students or prospective students know that if something doesn't feel right, it most likely is not right. Please call the school if there is a need for clarification and or guidance to help ensure the authenticity of the possible accommodation.

The school is here to support and help you with accommodations. Please reach out.