



CITY OF FORT WORTH FAIR HOUSING COMPLAINT PROCESS

LEGAL DISCLAIMER

This is not legal advice. This document provides general information about the Fair Housing complaint process in the City of Fort Worth. Laws, regulations, and procedures may change. For specific legal guidance, consult with a qualified attorney. Always verify current requirements with the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) or official city sources.

Fair Housing Act

The City of Fort Worth supports the provision of fair housing without regard to race, religion, color, sex, national origin, disability, or familial status. Complaints must be filed within 1 year of the violation.



City of Fort Worth Human Relations Ordinance

Prohibits discrimination based on sexual orientation, transgender status, gender identity, and gender expression.



Covered Areas:

- Private homes
- Apartment complexes
- Condominium developments
- Nearly all housing-related transactions: renting, selling, and providing mortgage loans



Housing - Ex. Prohibitions

- Refusal to rent or sell housing
- Refusal to negotiate for housing
- Setting different terms, conditions or privileges for the sale or rental of a dwelling
- Falsely denying that housing is available for inspection/sale/rental

Mortgage Lending - Ex. Prohibitions

- Refuse to make a mortgage loan
- Refuse to provide information regarding loans
- Discriminate in appraising property
- Refuse to purchase a loan
- Set different terms or conditions for purchasing a loan



Do You Have a Disability? → Yes



Your Landlord may not:

- Refuse to let you make reasonable modifications to your dwelling or common use areas, at your expense, if necessary for the disabled person to use the housing. (Where reasonable, the landlord may permit changes only if you agree to restore the property to its original condition when you move).
- Refuse to make reasonable accommodations in rules, policies, practices or services if necessary for the disabled person to use the housing.



File a Complaint

For more information about the city's anti-discrimination ordinance or to report housing discrimination, call 817-392-7525.

To file a complaint in English or Spanish, visit

www.fortworthtexas.gov/departments/hr/civil-right-office/housing-employment-public-accommodation

Please note that alleged short-term rental violations are not covered under the Fair Housing Act. For assistance with alleged short-term rental violations, please contact the Dallas Eviction Advocacy Center at <https://www.dallasevac.org/> which can help refer you to resources in your jurisdiction

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