



Applying for Public Housing if you live Interstate

Can I apply for Public Housing in Tasmania if I live interstate?

No not until you are living here.

Unfortunately it isn't possible to apply for or transfer to a public housing property in Tasmania if you live interstate.

All state housing authorities are separate and have different eligibility criteria and ways of managing the waiting lists.

Our eligibility criteria require that you are a resident of Tasmania when you apply. So you will need to be here first before you apply.

How quickly will I be housed once I apply?

Just so you have a realistic idea of the housing situation in Tasmania, it is worth keeping in mind that we have a lengthy waiting list for public housing and you may have to wait for quite some time.

What do I need to be eligible for public housing in Tasmania?

People resident in Tasmania can access public rental housing. An applicant will be considered a Tasmanian resident if their income source is within Tasmania; and they have a contact address within Tasmania.

In exceptional circumstances an application may be accepted from a person residing interstate, however an assessment is not usually carried out until the applicant has arrived in Tasmania and is receiving income in this State. For example, an interstate application has been received where Family Violence is a serious risk factor.

Applicants must also be Australian citizens; or have been granted permanent residency status; or have applied for permanent residency status (accommodation will not be offered until permanent status has been granted).



Applicants for public housing in Tasmania have their eligibility for a range of accommodation options assessed against all of these criteria:

- Residential Status;
- Ownership of Land;
- Age;
- Outstanding Charges;
- Income;
- Proof of Identity;
- Financial Assets;
- Ownership of Residential Premises;

More information

If you would like further information, please contact one of Housing Tasmania's Service hubs.

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You can find more information about applying for public housing in Tasmania at

www.abouthousing.tas.gov.au.

Related Fact Sheets:

- General Housing
- Housing Tasmania Service Centres
- Public housing eligibility
- Public housing waiting list