



Commercial tenancy support: COVID-19 pandemic

Name/type of initiative	What it means for tenants	What it means for landlords	Applicable dates	More information
Commercial Tenancies (COVID-19 Response) Act 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You are protected from your landlord taking prohibited actions eg. eviction, rent increases. It does not mean you can refuse to pay rent, if you are capable of doing so. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> You cannot commence a range of actions against your tenants eg. eviction, rent increases. If you've already started any of these actions you must cease. 	Certain actions are prohibited from 30 March – 29 September 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview FAQs A message from the Small Business Commissioner
A new code of conduct for small commercial leases in WA. The code will be based on the National Mandatory Code of Conduct – SME Commercial Leasing Principles announced by National Cabinet, but adjusted to meet WA requirements.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principles and guidance around what is and isn't acceptable behaviour during negotiations with your landlord in relation to arrangements regarding rent waivers or deferrals, payment of outgoings etc. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Principles and guidance around what is and isn't acceptable behaviour during negotiations with your tenant in relation to arrangements regarding rent waivers or deferrals, payment of outgoings etc. 	Commenced on 30 May 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Overview FAQs Rent relief request example letter
Land Tax Assistance for Landlords program	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If your landlord chooses to participate (and you have an eligible business) they must provide you with 100% of your rent waived for three months, or 50% waived for six months. Charges for outgoings must not be increased for six months. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If you provide the appropriate level of rent relief to eligible tenants you can apply to receive a grant worth up to of 25% of your land tax bill for the associated property. 	Applications open 1 May 2020	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> FAQs Application for landlords

