# **Application Instructions**

Step 1: Check if you are eligible.

**Step 2:** Landlord completes the Landlord portion of the Application Form and Tenant completes the Tenant portion of the Application Form.

**Step 3:** Get an Assessment Form completed by an in-home Occupational Therapist (OT), Physical Therapist (PT), or medical professional (if required). Visit www.bchousing.org/BC-RAHA for more information on how to find an OT or PT.

**Step 4:** Submit your completed application, supporting documents, and Assessment Form (if required) to:

BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations 101 – 4555 Kingsway Burnaby, BC V5H 4V8

Online: www.bchousing.org/puf Fax: 604 439-4729

## Avoid processing delays

Funding is limited; therefore, fully completed applications with all supporting documents will be reviewed in the order they are received.

Applications must:

- Have all sections and declarations completed, signed, and dated
  - o Part 1 Completed by Landlord
  - Part 2 Completed by Tenant
- Include all supporting documents as listed in the attached checklist
- If required, include the Assessment Form completed and signed by a registered OT, PT, or medical professional.

# Missing information/documents will delay the processing of your application.

• Incomplete applications can be held for a maximum of 90 days.

Landlord and Tenant Application

Effective April 2024

The BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations (BC RAHA) provides financial assistance to eligible low- and moderateincome households to complete home adaptations for continued independent living in their home.

This BC RAHA application form is for landlord/tenant applications. For BC RAHA applicants living in a **housing cooperative**, the cooperative member and the housing cooperative must fill out the Homeowner RAHA application.

### Who is eligible?

**BC HOUSING** 

A landlord and tenant may be eligible for BC RAHA if they meet all the following conditions:

- 1. The unit being adapted is legal and self-contained with a full kitchen and bathroom within the unit.
- 2. The unit is occupied by a rental household that lives independently (not assisted living).
- 3. The tenant, and/or a member of the household, has a permanent disability or loss of ability.
- 4. The adaptations are directly related to the permanent disability or loss of ability. Some adaptations must be supported by the assessment and recommendation of an Occupational Therapist (OT), Physical Therapist (PT), or medical professional.
- 5. A Tenancy Agreement is in place and the rent falls below the Rent Affordability Limits (RALs).
- 6. The landlord agrees that the rent for the adapted unit(s) will not be increased as a result of the adaptations.
- 7. The tenant(s) and the person(s) requiring the adaptations must not be under sponsorship and must meet one of the following Citizenship requirements: Canadian citizen, or authorized to take up permanent residence in Canada, or Convention refugee.
- 8. The household gross income does not exceed \$134,140.
- 9. The household assets are less than \$100,000.

RAHA accepts applications on a first-come, first-served basis with priority to complete applications. Application intake is ongoing unless the annual program funding is exhausted.

For more information, call 604 433-2218 (toll-free at 1-800 257-7756) or online at www.bchousing.org/BC-RAHA







Landlord Application Checklist

Please review this checklist to ensure that all required information is included with your application. Fully completed applications will be reviewed first, in the order in which they are received.

### PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

*Documents for the Landlord(s) to Submit* 

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1.	If you are an authorized agent for the property owner
	Letter or documentation from the property owner confirming authorization for you to act on their behalf.
2.	Proof of tenancy
	A copy of a signed lease, Residential Tenancy Agreement, Notice of Rent Increase, or rent receipts showing the address,
	landlord name, tenant names and current rent amount.
3.	If the property is a suite in a single-family home
	Confirmation that the property for adaptation is a legal, self-contained unit. For example:
	<ul> <li>Municipal Property Tax Assessment showing the unit is registered with the municipality</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Municipal Utility Bill showing charges for two units at the same address.</li> </ul>
4.	If the property is a strata property
	A letter from the strata stating approval of any requested exterior adaptations.
5.	If the home is a mobile home and the homeowner pays pad rent
	Approval from landowner or authorized agent for any exterior adaptations.
6.	If the home is on reserve
	A letter from the Indigenous Band confirming the homeowner's name and the home value.



Landlord Declaration and Consent

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### PART 1 – TO BE COMPLETED BY LANDLORD

1. LANDLORD	DINFORMATION	Property owner Owner's Authorized Agent			
Last name(s)		First name(s)		Organization (if applicable)	
Last name(s)		First name(s)		Organization (if applicable)	
2. LANDLORD	CONTACT INFORMATI	ON			
Apt #	Street #	Street name			
City		B.C. Postal code			
Home phone		Cell phone Work phone			
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#### 3. OPTIONAL: AUTHORIZED CONTACT

Authorized contact* name and relationship to you	Authorized contact phone
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\*Note: By providing an authorized contact, such as your tenant, you are giving permission for BC Housing to exchange information with that authorized contact in order to process, maintain and update your BC RAHA file. To remove an authorized contact, please contact BC Housing.

#### 4. RENTAL PROPERTY INFORMATION

#### 4a. Physical Address

Apt #	ŧ	Street #		Street name		
City					B.C.	Postal code
	4b. Type of	Property	lf you are a	Cooperative Housing member,	please use th	e Homeowner RAHA application.
□s	ingle-detach	ed home	🗌 Mu	ltiple unit: duplex/apartment/	townhouse	Other (explain):
□s	uite in a singl	le-family home	Ma	nufactured/trailer/mobile hom	ne	
Has	this property	previously receiv	ed financia	al assistance through HAFI (aft	er April 2019	) and/or BC RAHA? Yes No
	4c. How ma	ny units will be	adapted	<i>A maximum of 5 units is allowed</i> NOTE: Each unit will require a s		
1.	Unit Number		Tenant	t Name(s)		
2.	Unit Number		Tenant	t Name(s)		
3.     Unit Number     Tenant Name(s)						
4.	Unit Number		Tenant	t Name(s)		
5. Unit Number Tenant Name(s)						



Landlord Declaration and Consent

PLEASE READ AND SIGN

#### I/We declare:

- That I/we are the owner(s)/authorized agent of the property identified in this application, and that it is my/our application, and that all the information in it is true, correct, and complete in every respect; and accurately represents my/our property information.
- That I/we have received authorization from all household members, authorized contacts, and anyone that helped me/us complete this form to provide their personal information.

#### I/We permit:

• BC Housing to verify any of the information I/we have provided in this application in order to assess my/our eligibility for assistance under the BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations.

#### I/We acknowledge and understand that:

- It is my/our responsibility to promptly provide, or cause to be provided, all information and documentation that is reasonably requested by BC Housing to determine my/our eligibility for assistance and/or for audit or inspection purposes.
- I/we are responsible to immediately inform BC Housing of any changes in my/our address or property information so that eligibility for assistance can be determined accordingly.
- BC Housing reserves the right to review and refuse any items that are not directly related to a permanent disability or loss of ability or considered to be a duplicate or previously funded adaptations.
- Any work carried out before written confirmation of approval from BC Housing is not eligible for assistance, with the exception that emergency adaptations required prior to hospital release may be eligible. The RAHA application must be received by BC Housing no later than six (6) months after hospital release. Documentation confirming hospital stay and assessment supporting the need for emergency adaptations is required.
- If approved, the assistance is subject to the terms and conditions set out in BC Housing's final approval letter.
- BC Housing may audit or inspect my/our property during or after adaptations and that assistance may be adjusted or denied if the audit or inspection reveals errors or omissions in any information.
- If I/we wish to withdraw this Declaration and Consent, I/we may do so at any time in writing to BC Housing; however, withdrawal will result in my/our being ineligible for assistance through the BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations.

Name of landlord or owner's authorized agent/organization ( <i>please print</i> )	
Signature of landlord or authorized agent	Date
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Signature of landlord or authorized agent

#### This application must be signed by all owners registered on title of the property or the authorized agent.

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Date



Landlord and Tenant Application – Tenant Information

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Date:

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## PART 2 – TO BE COMPLETED BY TENANT

#### 1. TENANT INFORMATION

Include all individuals listed on the Tenancy Agreement and everyone else permanently residing in the rental unit. If required, attach additional names on a separate sheet.

	Last Name(s)	First Name(s)	Relationship	Date of Birth	Preferred	Born in	Under private
	Last Name(s)	FIISt Name(S)	to Applicant	(dd/mm/yyyy)	Title/Prefix	Canada?	sponsorship?
1.			Tenant			☐Yes ☐No	☐Yes ☐No
2.						Yes No	Yes No
3.						☐Yes ☐No	☐Yes ☐No
4.						☐Yes ☐No	☐Yes ☐No

#### 2. RENTAL PROPERTY INFORMATION

Apt #	Street #	Street name					
City	I	I	B.C.	Postal code			
Number of bedroc		ms 3+ bedrooms	Monthly r	ent (\$)			
Landlord Name			Landlord (     )	phone -			
3. OPTIONAL	•		·				
Do you or an	yone in your household i	dentify as being an Indigen	ous person of Ca	anada?			
	Note: Question 3 is option	nal. Data is collected for plannir	ng and reporting p	urposes and does not	impact eligibility for BC RAHA.		
4. INCOME IN	FORMATION						
The income lim	it is \$134,140 In	come limits are subject to char	nge. See <mark>www.bc</mark> ł	nousing.org/BC-RAHA	for current income limits.		
	Is your gross annual household income as reported on Line 15000 of your most recent Income Tax Return(s), plus any non-taxable income, within the limit?						
5. ASSET INFO	ORMATION						
e.g., house, cotto	r Canadian or Foreign pro age, townhouse, condom <b>st provide proof of valu</b>	inium, land, commercial pro	perty, etc. [	]Yes ∏No	Property Value (Canadian \$)		
Are your total he	ousehold assets, includir	ig any property, less than \$2	100,000?	Yes No			

For help with this form, please contact the BC RAHA Program at 604 433-2218 or 1-800 257-7756

## **BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations** Tenant Adaptations

#### **6. ADAPTATIONS**

The following is a list of BC RAHA eligible adaptations. There is a lifetime maximum rebate of \$20,000. Adaptations marked with an asterisk (\*) require an assessment form completed by an Occupational Therapist/Physical Therapist (OT/PT), or medical professional. Rebates are limited to a maximum of one (1) of each adaptation unless otherwise noted, and to a maximum of two (2) bathrooms per household. *BC RAHA does not fund appliances, repairs, therapeutic adaptations, or adaptations for ease of cleaning.* 

Any work carried out before written confirmation of approval from BC Housing is not eligible for assistance, with the exception that emergency adaptations required prior to hospital release may be eligible. The RAHA application must be received by BC Housing no later than six (6) months after hospital release. Documentation confirming hospital stay and assessment supporting the need for emergency adaptations is required.

The selected adaptation(s) must directly address your permanent disability or loss of ability and improve your ability to perform the basic activities of daily living. If approved, you will receive an approval letter from BC RAHA outlining the maximum rebate for each approved adaptation. For more details, please refer to the Maximum Rebate Schedule at www.bchousing.org/BC-RAHA.

**C PLEASE PRIORITIZE THE ADAPTATIONS:** Number only the requested items in order (with 1 being the highest priority). Do not duplicate numbering, even if adaptations are in different rooms. *Numbering may be used to determine which adaptations are approved or not approved based on the adaptation maximum rebate amounts and/or the lifetime maximum rebate.* 

G	Entering the home:	Q	Kitchen:
	Lever door handle (keyed) Qty: (max 3)		Single lever kitchen faucet
	* Exterior ramp		* Drawer glide in base cabinet Qty: (max 6)
	* Level uneven surfaces		* Lower or raise counters to accessible height
	* Widen exterior door Qty: (max 3)		* Replace unsafe flooring with non-slip vinyl flooring
5	Bathroom (maximum 2 bathrooms per household):		Qty: sq feet
	Grab bar or bathtub safety rail Qty: (max 6)	G	Other:
	Handheld showerhead Qty: (max 2)		Lever door handle (not keyed) Qty: (max 4)
	Single lever sink faucet Qty: (max 2)		* Hand railings (interior/exterior) Qty: feet
	Shower seat/ tub transfer bench (free-standing)		Multiple-cue fire/carbon monoxide alarm;
	Qty: (max 2)		(hearing-impaired only) Qty:
	* Shower seat (attached/wall-mount)		* Move electrical switch/outlet/thermostat to accessible
	Qty: (max 2)		Height Qty:
	* Convert tub to walk-in/wheel-in shower		* Relocate washer/dryer
	* Convert tub to walk-in tub/tub cutout		* Ceiling transfer aid (lift, sling, overhead track, etc.)
	Qty: (max 2)		* Elevator/Porch Lift
	* Toilet frame Qty: (max 2)		* Vertical transfer aid (vertical pole) Qty: (max 2)
	* Toilet raised/bio-bidet Qty: (max 2)		* Stairlift - Curved (interior or exterior)
	* Toilet seat raised Qty: (max 2)		* Stairlift – Straight (interior or exterior)
	* Drawer glide in vanity Qty: (max 4)		Qty: (max 2)
	* Lower or raise counters to accessible height		* Interior Ramp
	Qty: (max 2)		* Threshold ramp Qty:
	* Replace unsafe flooring with non-slip vinyl flooring		* Widen interior door Qty:
	Qty: sq feet		* Replace unsafe flooring with non-slip vinyl flooring
Q	Bedroom:		Room: Qty: sq feet
	* Bed assist rail		Room: Qty: sq feet
	* Replace unsafe flooring with non-slip vinyl flooring Qty: sq feet		

Please describe your permanent disability or loss of ability and how the selected adaptations will improve your ability to perform your activities of daily living (if necessary, attach additional pages):



Tenant Declaration and Consent

# PLEASE READ AND SIGN

#### I/We declare:

- That I/we are the Tenants of the property identified in this application, and that this is my/our application, and that all the information in it is true, correct, and complete in every respect; fully discloses my/our household income and assets from all sources; and accurately represents my/our current living circumstances.
- That I/we have received authorization from all household members, authorized contacts, and anyone that helped me/us complete this form to provide their personal information.

#### I/We permit:

- BC Housing to contact the Occupational Therapist/Physical therapist (OT/PT) or medical professional listed on my Assessment Form (if applicable) to discuss my requested adaptations and to obtain or verify information about my health condition(s) to assess my eligibility for assistance under the BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations.
- BC Housing to make any inquiries that are necessary to verify any of the information I/we have provided in this application to assess my/our eligibility for assistance under the BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations.

#### I/We acknowledge and understand that:

- It is my/our responsibility to promptly provide, or cause to be provided, all information and documentation that is reasonably requested by BC Housing to determine my/our eligibility for assistance and/or for audit or inspection purposes, including verification from a qualified individual to confirm the permanent disability or loss of ability if requested.
- I/we are responsible to immediately inform BC Housing of any changes in my/our address, principal residence, family size so that my/our eligibility for assistance can be determined accordingly.
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- BC Housing may audit or inspect my/our home during or after adaptations and that assistance may be adjusted or denied if the audit or inspection reveals errors or omissions in any information.
- If I/we wish to withdraw this Declaration and Consent, I/we may do so at any time in writing to BC Housing; however, withdrawal will result in me/us being ineligible for assistance through the BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations.

Name of tenant ( <i>please print</i> )						
Signature of tenant	Date					
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Signature of tenant	Date					
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Signature of tenant	Date					

#### This application must be signed by all tenants aged 19 or over. Make additional copies of this page if required.

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**Tenant Application Checklist** 

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### PLEASE DO NOT SUBMIT ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS. ORIGINAL DOCUMENTS WILL NOT BE RETURNED.

#### Documents for Tenants to Submit

1.	Income Tax Information (required for all tenants and household members aged 19 and over)
	Most recent Notice of Assessment from Canada Revenue Agency (CRA)
	Note: If you do not have your Notice of Assessment, you can submit a Proof of Income Statement (Option C print) from CRA. This can be obtained by either calling CRA at 1-800 959-8281 or logging into your CRA My Account at
	https://www.canada.ca/en/revenue-agency/services/e-services/e-services-individuals/account-individuals.html
	If anyone in your household receives the Disability Tax Credit (DTC) as shown on Line 31600, 31800, or 32600 of your Income Tax Return, please provide proof as this amount can be used to reduce your household income.
2.	Proof of Assets (required for all tenants and household members aged 19 and over)
	Copies of bank summaries and statements from <b>all</b> bank accounts clearly stating the account holder's name
	Other statements showing total value of asset(s).
3.	Proof of status in Canada for all tenants and the person(s) requiring adaptations
	If born in Canada, copy of Canadian birth certificate(s) or Canadian passport(s)
	If not born in Canada, please provide <b>one</b> of the following:
	<ul> <li>Record of Landing (IMM1000) or Confirmation of Permanent Residence (IMM5292/IMM5688)</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Canadian Citizenship Card (if you have been a Canadian Citizen for more than eight (8) years).</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Any immigration document showing the date landed and the immigration code</li> </ul>
	<ul> <li>Refugee Protection Claimant Document (RPCD) or Notice of Decision.</li> </ul>
4.	Proof of address for person needing adaptations
	Utility bill or government issued ID showing residential address.
5.	Assessment completed by an Occupational Therapist (OT), Physical Therapist (PT), or medical professional (if applicable)
	Tenant Information section of the Assessment Form completed by the Tenant
	Remaining sections completed by an OT, PT, or medical professional.
	Invoice for Therapist assessment fee (if charged)
	<ul> <li>Proof of hospital stay, along with proof of adaptations being completed within six (6) months of hospital stay (if applicable).</li> <li>BC RAHA application form submitted no later than three (3) months of adaptations being completed (if applicable).</li> </ul>



#### 1. TENANT INFORMATION

As identified as Household Member #1 (Tenant) on page 1 of Part 2 – Tenant Information of the Application Form. This information is required to correctly match your Assessment Form to your Application.

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Last name(s)			First name	(S)			
Apt#	Street #	Street name					
City	1				B.C.	Postal code	
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		nctioning in the hor vsically or virtually.	me?	Yes No	)		
Please indicate if t	the client(s) uses	the following <b>in th</b>	e home:	☐ Wheelchair ☐ Walker	r/mobility so	cooter	
Please describe the client's specific permanent disability or loss of ability and how this impacts their ability to perform basic activities of daily living in the home (i.e., bathing, toileting, cooking, access to and from/within the home etc.). Please attach a separate page if required.							
Has the condition If No, please expla		2 months or is reaso	onably exp	ected to last at	least 12 mo	onths? Yes No	

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#### BC Rebate for Accessible Home Adaptations

Assessment Form

Please see Section 6 of the tenant's application for a list of eligible of adaptations. Select only those that apply directly to the permanent disability or loss of ability and that will improve the client's ability to perform the basic activities of daily living.

Requested adaptations should be numbered in order (with 1 being the highest priority).

Rebates are limited to a maximum of one (1) of each adaptation unless otherwise noted. If approved, your client will receive an approval letter outlining the maximum rebate for each approved adaptation. For more information on available rebates, please visit www.bchousing.org/BC-RAHA for the Maximum Rebate Schedule.

**Please note:** BC RAHA does not fund appliances, repairs, adaptations for therapeutic purposes such as soaker or jetted tubs for pain relief, or adaptations for ease of cleaning (i.e., easier to clean flooring, fixtures etc.)

In case the requested adaptations exceed the maximum rebate allowed, it is helpful for the adaptations to be numbered in order of priority (with 1 as the highest priority). Do not duplicate numbering, even if adaptations are in different rooms. Numbering may be used to determine which adaptations are approved or not approved based on the adaptation maximum rebate amounts and/or the lifetime maximum rebate of \$20,000 per household.

Other adaptations will only be considered under extenuating circumstances where standard program adaptations cannot provide adequate independence and accessibility within the home. If approved, BC Housing may cap the rebate at the amount of other comparable adaptations or may require the applicant to obtain contractor estimates.

If requesting an adaptation that is not listed on the Maximum Rebate Schedule, please provide a detailed description of the required adaptation and how it will address the specific permanent disability or loss of ability. Attach a separate page if required.

Other:	 	 

Did you charge a fee for completing an assessment?	Yes No	If Yes, how much? \$
Note: The maximum rebate for an assessment fee is \$300.		,

#### OCCUPATIONAL/PHYSICAL THERAPIST/MEDICAL PROFESSIONAL INFORMATION

You must be a registered Occupational/Physical Therapist or licenced medical professional. All fields below are mandatory.

OT/PT/Medical Professional Name ( <i>please print</i> )		Signature	
OT/PT Registration or Medical Professional ID Number	Phone number () -		Date