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Dear Tenants and Landlords,

Due to the Covid-19 Pandemic, all staff at the Rental Office at IRAC have been working remotely since March 17, 2020.

Our office hours are Monday to Friday from 8 am to 4:30 pm.

Please call us if you have questions at 902 892 3501 and we will return your call.

You can also email us at: rentalinquires@irac.pe.ca and our website is www.irac.pe.ca/rental

News you need now;

All rental HEARINGS at our Office are postponed until at least APRIL 6, 2020.

All tenants have the right to live in their rental unit unless they are evicted "for cause" by their landlord. (this is the law in PEI)

There is a legal process to do this which is as follows:

Landlord serves you an eviction notice. (called a Notice of Termination)

This NOTICE gives you the reason WHY you are being evicted and what DATE you need to leave the rental unit.

Some tenants move out after getting this NOTICE and some do not.

If you are a tenant and disagree with the NOTICE, you can file an APPLICATION with our office contesting the eviction.

We then hold a hearing.

If you are a landlord and your tenant will not move out by the date on the NOTICE, you can file an APPLICATION with our office. We then hold a hearing.

After a hearing is held we issue a written decision, called an ORDER.

The ORDER will say you can stay in the rental unit OR it will say you must move out.

If it the ORDER says you need to move out, it will give you a date and time that the Sheriff may come to evict you.

Remember, no hearings and therefore no Orders until at least April 6, 2020.

If you can't pay your rent, during the Pandemic call or text your landlord and tell them why. Try to work out a solution or a plan.

Communication is the key. Communicate with each other and be kind.

We are all trying to stay safe and follow the rules from the Chief Public Health Officer, Dr. Heather Morrison.

Sincerely,

Jennifer Perry