

10 IMPORTANT REMINDERS ABOUT RENTING PROPERTY IN SWITZERLAND



Lease agreements are commonly 1-year contracts which renew automatically if you do not give notice.



A property inspection is conducted on the day of key handover. It is important to keep a good record of the state of the property including photographs. You are given 10 days to report any potential damage not identified during the check- in inspection.



Lease agreements commence either on 1st or 15th of any given month.



Property keys will not be handed to you on the planned day of inspection unless you have paid the first month's rent, have proof of guarantee and your insurances in place.



A guarantee of three-month's rent is required. This can be either a bank guarantee or a guarantee with an insurance provider.



It is the tenant's responsibility to take care of basic everyday maintenance, as well as maintain appliances by regulary cleaning.



The typical notice period is either 3 or 4 months before the termination date.



Giving notice outside of the lease agreement date is possible if you find a new tenant who meets the criteria to replace you under the same conditions.



It is standard practice to have a personal liability insurance, which covers potential household accidents, as well as a household insurance.



Because the real estate agencies close in December, giving notice for 31st December is not accepted.

