

ORDER OF AN EXECUTIVE OFFICER CLOSED FOR TENANT ACCOMMODATION PURPOSES ORDER TO VACATE

To: Kathleen Hall-Deibert
"the Owner"

And To: All Occupant(s) of the following Housing premises:

RE: Those housing premises located in Medicine Hat, Alberta and municipally described as:
369 9 Street SW

WHEREAS I, an **Executive Officer** of **Alberta Health Services**, have inspected the above noted premises pursuant to the provisions of the **Public Health Act**, RSA 2000, c. P-37, as amended;

AND WHEREAS such inspection disclosed that the following conditions exist in and about the above noted premises which are or may become injurious or dangerous to the public health or which might hinder in any manner the prevention or suppression of disease, in contravention of the Public Health Act and Nuisance and General Sanitation Regulation, Alberta Regulation 243/2003 namely:

- a. There is a disruption in the supply of electricity to the dwelling.
- b. A section of the floor and wall in the kitchen are unfinished.
- c. There is no available sink, and a non-functioning stove in the kitchen.
- d. The use of extension cords from the basement to power appliances on the main floor presents a fire hazard.
- e. The left handrail located at the front door is loose.
- f. A smoke alarm is not installed.

AND WHEREAS such inspection disclosed that the following breaches of the Public Health Act and the Housing Regulation, Alberta Regulation 173/99, and the Minimum Housing and Health Standards exist in and about the above noted premises, namely:

- a. Electricity is not supplied to outlets/fixtures on the main floor, which is in contravention of section 11 of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards which states that: Every housing premises shall be supplied with electrical service. Outlets, switches and fixtures shall be properly installed and shall be maintained in a good and safe working condition.
- b. A section of the floor and wall in the kitchen are unfinished, which is in contravention of section 5 of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards which states that: all walls, windows, ceilings, floors, and floor coverings shall be maintained in good repair, free of cracks, holes, loose or lifting coverings and in a condition that renders it easy to clean.

- c. There is no available sink, and a non-functioning stove in the kitchen, which is in contravention of section 14 (a)(i) and (iv) of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards which states that: Every housing premises shall be provided with a food preparation area, which includes: a kitchen sink that is supplied with potable hot and cold water and suitably sized to allow preparation of food, washing utensils and any other cleaning operation; and a stove and a refrigerator that are maintained in a safe and proper operating condition. The refrigerator shall be capable of maintaining a temperature of 4 degrees C. (40°F).
- d. The use of extension cords from the basement to power appliances on the main floor presents a fire hazard, which is in contravention of section 5(2) of the Housing Regulation which states that: No person shall cause or permit any condition in housing premises that is or may become injurious or dangerous to the public health, including any condition that may hinder in any way the prevention or suppression of disease.
- e. The left handrail located at the front door is loose, which is in contravention of section 3(c)(i) of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards which states that: Inside or outside stairs or porches including all treads, risers, supporting structural members, handrails, guards and balconies, shall be maintained in good repair and shall comply with the requirements of the Alberta Building Code or a Professional Engineer design.
- f. A smoke alarm is not installed, which is in contravention of section 12 of the Minimum Housing and Health Standards which states that: Smoke alarms within dwellings shall be installed between each sleeping area and the remainder of the suite and, where hallways serve the sleeping areas; the smoke alarms shall be installed within the hallway.

AND WHEREAS, by virtue of the foregoing, the above noted premises are hereby declared to be **Closed for Tenant Accommodation Purposes**.

NOW THEREFORE, I hereby **ORDER** and **DIRECT**:

- 1. That the occupants vacate the above noted premises immediately.
- 2. That the Owner immediately undertake and diligently pursue the completion of the following work in and about the above noted premises, namely:
 - a. Restore electricity to all fixtures and outlets.
 - b. Install new shelving/counters in the kitchen to the unfinished area. Ensure all walls and coverings are in good repair and easy to clean.
 - c. Install a kitchen sink and ensure proper functioning of the stove.
 - d. Cease the use of extension cords from the basement to supply power to appliances on the main floor.
 - e. Repair/replace the loose left handrail at the front door.
 - f. Install a functional smoke alarm outside the bedroom on the main floor.
- 3. That until such time as the work referred to above is completed to the satisfaction of an Executive Officer of Alberta Health Services; the above noted premises shall remain closed for tenant accommodation purposes.

The above conditions were noted at the time of inspection and may not necessarily reflect all deficiencies. You are advised that further work may be required to ensure full compliance with the Public Health Act and regulations, or to prevent a public health nuisance.

DATED at Medicine Hat, Alberta, May 30, 2025.
Confirmation of a verbal order issued to Kathleen Hall-Diebert on May 29, 2025.

Executive Officer
Environmental Health Officer

You have the right to appeal

A person who a) is directly affected by a decision of a Regional Health Authority, and
 b) feels himself aggrieved by the decision

may appeal the decision by submitting a Notice of Appeal form within ten (10) days after receiving the order to:

Public Health Appeal Board
c/o Central Reception
Main Floor, ATB Place North Tower
10025 Jasper Avenue NW
Edmonton, Alberta, T5J 1S6
Phone: 780-222-5186
Fax: 780-422-0914
Email: HealthAppealBoard@gov.ab.ca
Website: <https://www.alberta.ca/public-health-appeal-board.aspx>

A Notice of Appeal form may be obtained by contacting the Public Health Appeal Board or visiting their website.

Health Legislation, Regulations and Standards

Electronic versions of the Public Health Act and Regulations are available at the Alberta King's Printer Bookstore 10611 - 98 Avenue, Main Floor, Park Plaza, Edmonton, Alberta, T5K 2P7 or
<https://www.alberta.ca/alberta-kings-printer.aspx>.

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