

## **RESIDENTIAL TENANCY**

Residential Tenancy in Western Australia is governed by the Residential Tenancies Act 1987 which is administered by the Consumer Protection Division of the Western Australian Department of Commerce.

There are many and various that can rise when you enter into either verbal or written tenancy agreement with private and or public landlords such as the Housing Department of Western Australia or a Local Government Authority.

The types of issues that can arise under a tenancy agreement are as follows:

- bond payments and repayments
- rent and rent arrears
- landlords right of entry and notice obligations
- renovations, fixtures and fitting
- property inspections
- subletting
- urgent repairs
- locks
- rent increase
- agreement terms and conditions

Whilst the above is not comprehensive of the issues that can affect tenants and landlords they give you some idea of the issue that need to be considered before, during and after a tenancy agreement is mad.

Advice on these matters can be attained from:

- **Consumer Protection Division of the Western Australian Department of Commerce 219 St. Georges Tce. PERTH WA 6000 phone 1300 30 40 54**
- **Tenants Advice Service PO Box 6057, EAST PERTH 6892 phone (08) 9221 9499**
- **Citizens Advice Bureau(refer elsewhere in this handbook)**