



Apartment Comparison Worksheet

Things for you to consider as you compare different apartments:

- Depending on your situation, you may not have a lot of options given vacancy rates and average rents in your community; nonetheless, it can still be very helpful to view at least a couple of different units for comparison.
- As you are viewing an apartment, turn appliances on and off to ensure that they are in good, working condition, test the water pressure in the kitchen and bathroom, check the locks on the windows and doors, etc.
- Do not be afraid to ask the landlord any questions you may have, particularly about the terms and conditions of the lease. Note that you may have already asked the landlord about the terms and conditions when you first called about the unit, but ask again to verify the information you received. You may also want to ask the landlord what type of routine maintenance is done on the apartment and how repair issues are handled.
- Considering talking to current tenants to find out how they like living in the building. Do they feel safe and secure? What is the noise level? Is the landlord responsive about repairs?

Use this worksheet to compare different apartments, especially if you are viewing a number of units in one day.

Terms and Conditions	Apt. 1	Apt. 2	Apt. 3	Apt. 4	Apt. 5
Address of unit					
Date available					
Application fee					
Security deposit ¹					
Pet rules ²					
Rent amount					

¹ If RTA applies to unit, then landlord is only allowed to collect the equivalent of one's month rent as security for the last month of tenancy (damage deposits are not allowed in Ontario).

² Under the RTA, a landlord cannot evict a tenant solely for having a pet but can move toward eviction if that pet is causing harm to others or is disturbing their reasonable enjoyment of their home.





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Rent due date					
Length of lease					
Penalty for breaking lease					
Utilities included					
Other?					

Apartment Features	Apt. 1	Apt. 2	Apt. 3	Apt. 4	Apt. 5
Number of bedrooms					
Location in building (basement, 1 st or 2 nd floor)					
Furnished					
Eat-in kitchen					
Separate dining area					
Air conditioning					
Hardwood Floors					
Carpet					
Paint/wall condition					
Closet space/storage					
Windows/natural light					

Apartment Features	Apt. 1	Apt. 2	Apt. 3	Apt. 4	Apt. 5
Window coverings					
Outlets in each room					
Water pressure					
Accessible for those with mobility barriers					
Other?					





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Kitchen					
Age/condition of refrigerator					
Age/condition of stove/oven					
Dishwasher?					
Microwave?					
Cupboard space/storage					
Counter space					
Ventilation					
Other?					
Community					
Laundry facilities					
Elevator					
Secured entrance					
Adequate outside lighting					
Parking available					
Noise level					
Onsite playground or proximity to park					
Proximity to public transportation					
Proximity to work/school					
Proximity to grocery store, bank, etc.					



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General Notes/Comments	Apt. 1	Apt. 2	Apt. 3	Apt. 4	Apt. 5

