Pre-Rental Inspection Fee: \$50 per unit

Program Services Include:

- Dwelling unit inspection in addition to common areas.
- Re-inspection (if required)
- Certificate of Fitness for Human Habitation.



Please call the Quabbin Health District if you have any questions about your housing conditions, or if you would like to request an inspection.

About Quabbin Health District:

The Quabbin Health District is a comprehensive regional health department serving the communities of Belchertown, Pelham, and Ware. It was established in 1980 by a Town meeting vote and formed under Section 27A of Chapter 111 of the MGL.

Contact us online:



Or visit our website at:

www.quabbinhealthdistrict.com

Call us at: 413-967-9615

We are located on the 2nd floor of the Ware Town Hall – 126 Main Street, Ware MA, 01082



Pre-Rental Housing Inspection Program for Landlords



Assuring safe, healthy, and compliant rental housing for all.

How do I benefit?

- Receive guidance on housing code requirements from public health professionals.
- Documentation of the conditions of the rental unit at the beginning of the occupancy.
- Protection against consumer lawsuits for renting substandard units.
- A tool that can be utilized against illegal rent withholding and occupant damage to the unit.
- Marketable units to interested renters.



Occupant Benefits:

- Provided with a legal, safe, and sanitary dwelling unit.
- Education on their responsibilities and rights.

Community Benefits:

- Proper care and maintenance of residential properties.
- Promotes healthy homes that protects seniors, children, and other occupants.
- The legal and proper use of dwellings in accordance with sanitary code requirements.



Requesting an Inspection:

The landlord or authorized agent may request a pre-rental inspection. This inspection is different than a general complaint. A pre-rental inspection must be conducted within 30 days of the start of a lease or within the first 30 days of occupancy.

Inspection:

By requesting a pre-rental inspection, you are allowing the Quabbin Health District to conduct a comprehensive housing inspection. The inspection will be conducted in accordance with Chapter III Sections 127A and 127B of the Massachusetts General Laws, 105 CMR 400.000: State Sanitary Code, Chapter I: General Administrative Procedures, and 105 CMR 400.000: State Sanitary Code, Chapter II: Minimum Standards of Fitness for Human Habitation.

