

RIGHT TO BUY QUESTIONNAIRE AND DECLARATION

Name of tenant(s): (As it appears on your rent card/account)

Rent account number:

Address:

Telephone No: (Home)

(Work)

(Mobile)

Please list all members of the family resident at this address including tenant(s) details (those joining in the purchase must be at least 18 years of age)

Full name(s) of residents	Date of Birth	Relationship to tenant
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Please answer the questions below and tick the appropriate box:

1) Do you live in

(a) A house?

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2) Do you have

(a) A private garden ?

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(b) A flat?

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(b) A shared garden?

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(c) A maisonette?

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(c) No garden?

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3) How many bedrooms do you have?

4) If a flat or maisonette, on which floor(s) is the property situated?

Yes

5) Has the property been adapted for the benefit of a disabled person?

6) Is the property classed as a sheltered dwelling?

7) Do you have access to a housing warden?

8) Do you rent a store shed?

If yes, what number is it?

Yes

9) Do you rent a garage?

If yes what number/address is it?

10) Do you live on an estate

If yes, please give estate name:

11) Have you applied to buy this property before?

If yes, please state the year

12) Are you or any person joining in the right to buy with you an undischarged bankrupt?

13) Do you or any person joining in the right to buy with you have a bankruptcy petition against you?

14) Is there a receiving order in force against you or any person joining in the right to buy with you?

15) Have you or any person joining in the right to buy with you made a composition or arrangement with your creditors, terms of which remain to be fulfilled?

If you have answered yes to 12,13,14 or 15 please give details.

16) In order that the Council's policy of Equal Opportunities can be assessed, we would be grateful if you could enter the details of your origin below. This will be treated in confidence and will not affect your application to purchase. If there is more than one applicant, please write names next to the boxes ticked.

Do you consider yourself to be:

White

British

Irish

Any other white background

Please specify

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☐

Black or Black British

African

Caribbean

Any other black background

Please specify

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Mixed

White & Black African

White & Black Caribbean

Any other mixed background

Please specify

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Asian or Asian British

Indian

Pakistani

Bangladeshi

Any other Asian background

Please specify

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Chinese or other ethnic background

Chinese

☐

Any other

Please specify

☐

Please note that the Right to Buy may not be applied for in the following circumstances:

- 1) Where the tenant (or joint tenants) are required to give up possession of their property following the issuing of a fixed date order, but **not** where the order is suspended, (unless the order has been broken). A suspended order may be made, for example, where the court has agreed an arrangement for the tenant to remain in the property.
- 2) Where the tenant(s) or any person joining in the Right to Buy has a bankruptcy petition pending against them, is in liquidation or arrangement with their creditors, the terms of which remain to be fulfilled.

Please state where you first heard about the Right to Buy scheme

I/We understand that the London Borough of Redbridge has a duty to protect the public money it deals with.

I/We grant Redbridge Council permission to make any enquiries needed to confirm the information given on the Right to Buy application forms is correct. We may get information about you from others, or we may give information to them. If we do, it will only be as the law permits to check accuracy of information; prevent or detect crime/fraud; protect public funds.

I/ We may check information we receive about you with information in our records and records held by others, such as government departments and agencies, including Credit Reference Agencies. This can include information provided by you, as well as by others.

Please contact the Council's Data Protection Officer if you require further information.

I/We have provided details of all previous tenancies in my/our application form for the Right to Buy and I/we give consent for Redbridge Council to request and receive any information relating to any previous tenancy I/we have claimed towards my/our qualification criteria and discount entitlement for the Right to Buy.

Signatures of applicant(s)

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The Council has received the following warning from the Office of the Deputy Prime Minister (ODPM), please read it carefully:

“The ODPM and local authorities are concerned that tenants do not always receive good advice when they ask private companies and individuals for help in buying their council homes.

Sometimes, tenants are asked to pay a lot of money for things that landlords will do for nothing – for example Right to Buy application forms are available free from landlords. Or they are paid money as part of a deal under which the company ends up owning the property. Good for the company, which can charge a higher rent than the council could when it let the property, but not always good for tenants. The money they get may not be enough to prevent them from becoming homeless.

It is often claimed that the Right to Buy scheme is going to be changed or ended. The Government made it clear last year in its Housing Green Paper that it has no intention of making any further significant changes to the Right to Buy scheme. **Be suspicious if anyone tries to tell you otherwise.** They may be trying to persuade you to do something that benefits them rather than you.

If you need advice on any aspect of the Right to Buy scheme, **contact your council first.** If you are approached by a person or company offering to help you buy your council home, check out what's in it for them and talk to your council before signing up to any deal. Advice on how the scheme works generally is also available from the ODPM on (020) 7944 3427.”

Would you now please sign below to confirm that you have read and understood the warning. We regret that we are unable to process your application if this is not done.

I confirm that I have read and understood the above warning.

Signed

Date:

The London Borough of Redbridge has to protect the public money it deals with and may use the information you have given to prevent and detect fraud. For this reason it may also share this information with other organisations dealing with public money. Would you now please sign below to confirm that you have read and understood the above statement. We regret that we are unable to process your application if this is not done.

I confirm that I have read and understood the above statement.

Signed:

Date:

**PLEASE RETURN THIS FORM ALONG WITH YOUR RIGHT TO BUY
APPLICATION FORM.**

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