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## Looking for somewhere to live

Before you look for an apartment, you must consider what exactly you are looking for (own apartment, shared room), how high the rent may be (upper rent limits, see also Renting and Rental Contracts) and what the apartment needs to have (size, location, accessible to people with disabilities, etc.).

### Where can you find a place to live?

In addition to advertisements in daily newspapers and weekly newspapers, there are now a variety of online portals on which homes are offered for rent and purchase.

This [list of all the important abbreviations](#) may make it easier to understand apartment listings.

### Looking in newspapers

Many landlords advertise in daily newspapers. The most important local newspaper for the city of Landau is the "Rheinpfalz". It contains a real estate/housing section every Friday. You can also check out the property listings [online](#). Another option is the Landauer Stadtanzeiger, a free weekly newspaper that is published every Wednesday.

### Search online

In addition to advertisements in daily newspapers and weekly newspapers, there are now a variety of online portals on which homes are offered for rent and purchase.

### Searching online:

You can find the most advertisements through the following online portals (among others):

[Rheinpfalz](#)

[Immobilienscout 24](#)

[WG gesucht](#) or [Studenten-WG gesucht](#) [Null Provision](#) [Cherryflats](#) [Wohnungsbörse](#)

[Immowelt](#)

[Immonet](#)

[eBay-Kleinanzeigen \(eBay Classifieds\)](#)

### Registering with a Housing Association

In addition to private landlords, housing associations or housing cooperatives also offer private housing. You have to register with them, or get a priority notice. You can find a list with all the providers [here](#).

### Public housing

Address:

Gebäudemanagement Landau

[Langstraße 9a](#)

[06341/13-8220](tel:06341138220)

Gebäudemanagement Landau (GML) (Landau Building Management) is responsible for leasing and managing public housing. Because of the huge number of people looking for apartments, you need to apply for one of these apartments if you are interested in it. People looking for a place to live can fill in an application form and register for the waiting list for public housing. Because GML is also familiar with other major housing providers in Landau, they can also refer you to other contacts for your apartment hunt.

In order to be accepted as an applicant, you must fill in the application form. You can fill it in at GML without needing to make an appointment. You can also download the application form from the city of Landau's website, fill it in and submit it to us.

### **WG (shared flat)**

A shared flat (WG) is a special form of living together. Especially if you are looking for an apartment on your own, a shared flat can be a good alternative to having your own flat. Living in a shared flat means that you share an apartment with mostly young people. Every person there has their own room. You only share the common areas such as a bathroom, a kitchen or a living room.

The best place to find available WG rooms is on this website: [WG-gesucht](#).

### **House viewing**

Currently, there are only a few free apartments in Landau, meaning that many people are applying at the same time. Getting together important documents early on, such as SCHUFA information or tenant self-assessment, is therefore very important and can increase the chances of getting an apartment.

It's a good idea to collect your documents in an "application folder".

### **The application folder should contain the following documents:**

- Cover letter (who am I/we are, what am I doing professionally, how old my children are, why would I like to rent the apartment)
- [Tenant questionnaire](#)
- Copy of ID/residence permit (important: copy both sides, front and back!)
- Copy of decision letter from Job Centre/Social Welfare Office if you are unemployed
- Salary pay stubs from the last three months, if you are working
- Copy of your Schufa statement
- Copy of your certificate confirming you have no rent debts
- Proof of personal liability insurance