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Residential Lease Checklist

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Make sure your residential lease is complete and compliant before move-in.

Parties & Property

Listed landlord and all adult tenants

Entered the full property address

Recorded the lease term and rent amount

Money

Set rent due date and late fees

Recorded the security deposit (within state limits)

Listed who pays which utilities

Rules & Disclosures

Added pet, smoking, and occupancy rules

Included state-required disclosures (e.g., lead paint)

Completed a move-in condition checklist

Execute

Both parties signed and dated

Tenant received a copy

Documented the deposit handling

Notes

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