

This pamphlet is not meant to provide legal advice, and does not provide a substitute for legal assistance. If illegal discrimination is suspected, then any aggrieved persons should immediately contact a lawyer or one of the agencies listed in this pamphlet for assistance.

FAIR HOUSING IS



YOUR EQUAL HOUSING OPPORTUNITY

Everyone is welcome to make copies of this pamphlet toward the goal of eradicating discrimination in housing and thereby helping to make affordable housing available to all people. For extra copies, call or write the Noble County Fair Housing, Courthouse, Caldwell, Ohio Phone 740-732-2969, There may be a small fee for postage.

Need help??

**Housing Discrimination complaints
can be filed with:**

Noble County Fair Housing
Courthouse, Caldwell, Ohio

740-732-2969

or call

Ohio Civil Rights Commission
614-466-5928

HUD Fair Housing Hotline
1-800-669-9777

Southeastern Ohio Legal Services
740-594-3555

or

1-800-686-3669

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place
like
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Courthouse

Caldwell, OH 43724

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FEDERAL FAIR HOUSING LAWS
PROHIBIT DISCRIMINATION IN
HOUSING BASED UPON A PERSON'S

RACE COLOR RELIGION
NATIONAL ORIGIN SEX
HANDICAP OR FAMILIAL STATUS

The following are some of the acts which are
ILLEGAL:

*For any person or business which engages in
"residential real estate transactions" to*

1. Treat some people differently from others in selling or renting housing because of their race, color, religion, national origin, sex, handicap, or familial status.
2. Advertise that a house or apartment is available only (or preferably) to persons of a certain race, color, sex, religion, national origin, handicapped status or familial status.
3. Deny housing is available to inspection, sale, or rental (when it really is)
4. Discriminate in financing, appraising, selling, brokering, other real estate related transactions, such as making or purchasing of loans or providing other financial assistance.
5. Discriminate in offering real estate services, brokerage services, or multiple listing services.



Families with Children (Family Status)

Did you know that it is now **illegal** to deny or to restrict housing because of children? Well it is!

And, filing a formal complaint is easy! Under the law, an agency will help.

If you think that you may have been unlawfully discriminated against because of having children, in trying to get or keep your housing, call for **free** assistance with one of the agencies listed on the back of this brochure.



NO CHILDREN ALLOWED

There are exceptions to the law - for example, some apartments designed for senior citizens do not have to rent to families with children. If you have questions, call one of the numbers on the back.

Has this ever happened to you?

- Sorry but that apartment has been rented already - *But you are a minority and know that a vacancy exists.*
- I'd prefer to rent to a man, because a woman can't keep up the property - *This might be sex discrimination*
- If have just the right house for you - *But you wanted to see the house in the better neighborhood*
- I'd like to rent to you, but I don't think you could handle the stairs - *Handicapped people have a right to equal housing opportunities.*
- This is a smaller 2-bedroom house - so we don't allow children. Since you are pregnant, you will have to move. - *Discrimination against families is illegal.*
- For rent - Modern four room apartment. \$200 per month plus deposit. **No Children** - *Newspapers cannot discriminate in advertising housing.*

If it has, contact fair housing IMMEDIATELY!