

## Do you require social housing?

Kópavogur Council holds several apartments within the municipality that are leased to families with limited income or capital.

## Who can apply?

- To apply, your home address and legal residence must have been registered within the Kópavogur municipality for at least 6 months prior to your application being received by the Welfare Division.
- You must not own any real estate of any kind that might be considered suitable for a home.
- You need to supply proof that you do not meet the financial requirements for a housing loan.

Social housing is a temporary solution. Any changes to tenant's social circumstances (e.g. marital status, family size or financial standing) can lead to leasing rights being reconsidered.

## Application process and supporting documents:

Applications for social housing apartments should be sent to the Housing Committee's Service Representative. Application forms can be procured from the Service Centre or by accessing "Íbúagátt" online at [www.kopavogur.is](http://www.kopavogur.is). Applications must include:

- Photocopies of wage slips and/or benefit slips for all residents for the past three months.
- Photocopy of most recent tax report.
- Printout of PAYE register from the Directorate of Internal Revenue.
- Certificate of disability (if applicable).

Applications are rated with a points system that takes account of the financial and social circumstances of the applicants.

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## What are the leasing rates?

Leasing rates are set according to the property's estimated financial worth with a fixed rate that is calculated at the beginning of each year. Furthermore, tenants will pay a fee to the property's house fund. This fee varies depending on the property's size and location. In some cases, tenants might have the right to housing benefit payments.

At the signing of the lease, tenants are required to pay an insurance payment in the amount of two months of rent. The insurance payment is intended to match the cost of repairs for possible damages to the home. If no such damages are found at the end of the leasing period, this amount will be repaid with interests.

## For further information, contact:

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