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Self-disclosures from prospective tenants or

Prospective tenants demanded - what is data protection law

allowed?

Focused examination in the area of housing management

Must the future landlord or real estate agent commissioned by them

Find out how many people are interested in renting in the apartment on offer

want to move in? May be asked about the job and income of the interested party

will? Can proof of salary be requested to support these statements? Can even the template

a self-assessment from a credit agency?

Because exactly such questions and complaints regularly the Bavarian State Office for Data Protection Supervision achieve, the second focused exam in the new series of exams is dedicated to the topic of "self-disclosures of prospective tenants".

At least in metropolitan areas, it is normal for people who are interested in an apartment to already

with regard to an initial inspection of an apartment, a comprehensive form for self-disclosure

is made available. This should usually be filled out in advance and if the visitors like it

Apartment of the owner or the real estate agent commissioned by the landlord

be handed over.

| Even when looking for new tenants and initiating tenancies |
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| a large amount of information may legitimately be queried with a view to making a decision, |
| not every piece of information that is of interest to the landlord is required at all times. |
| Rather, according to the points in time on the way between the establishment of contact by the |
| Prospective tenants and the imminent conclusion of a |
| rental agreement can be distinguished. So |
| is one thing when making contact and making an agreement |
| Information about the profession and income is not yet required at the time of the viewing appointment. Only when the |
| the person viewing the apartment is still interested in the apartment during or after the inspection |
| For example, it is permissible to ask about the number of people moving in, occupation and income. |
| If at the end of the selection process there is one person left with whom the landlord will |
| If you want to conclude a rental contract, you can also submit a |
| Self-disclosure from a credit agency may be required. |
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