

7405 OCCUPANCY OF ACCESSIBLE UNIT

- 7405.1 DCHA has units designated for persons with mobility, sight and hearing impairments referred to as accessible units.
- 7405.2 DCHA will offer these accessible units to families in the following order:
- (a) First: Current occupant of another public housing unit who has a disability that requires the special features of that unit;
 - (b) Second: An eligible qualified applicant on the public housing waiting list having a disability that requires the special features of the unit; and
 - (c) Third: If there are no eligible qualified applicants on the public housing waiting list, a non-disabled applicant will be offered the unit. DCHA will require that the non-disabled applicant agree to sign a lease that requires the applicant to move to an available non-accessible unit when either a current resident or applicant needs the special features of the unit.
- 7405.3 A Reasonable Accommodation Waiting List will be created and maintained by date and time of request pursuant to the order of families created by § 7405.2.
- 7405.4 The first qualified current resident in sequence on the list of residents seeking reasonable accommodations will be offered a unit of the appropriate size with the special features required. If more than one unit of the appropriate size and type is available, the first unit offered will be the first unit that is ready for occupancy.
- 7405.5 Upon inspection of the offered unit, the resident or applicant will be required to sign a Letter of Acceptance/Rejection of an Accessible Unit. DCHA will maintain a record of units offered, including location, date and circumstances of each offer, each acceptance or rejection and the reason for the rejection.
- 7405.6 A current resident will receive two (2) offers of accessible units before his/her name is moved to the end of the Reasonable Accommodation Waiting List.
- 7405.7 An applicant will receive two (2) offers of accessible units before his/her name is removed from the Public Housing Waiting List.

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