

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Are houses furnished in Perth?

No most are not furnished. Some city apartments may be furnished, but it's not the norm.

Do properties come with white goods?

Typically no, some landlords may include a fridge if it's built in, or a microwave. Many properties have dishwashers. Apartments may come with a clothes dryer.

Can I break my lease in WA?

Yes you can, but there will be costs involved.

- Payment of rent (in the lease period) until the property is re let.
- Pro rata of the letting fee paid by the owner to the agent
- Advertising costs.
- Final inspection costs.

What is a bond?

It's the same as a security deposit. In WA it's equivalent to 4 weeks' rent and is refunded at the end of the lease if no damage has been caused to the property.

Can I lease a property before I arrive?

You may be able to have someone view it on your behalf, but checking with the agent first would have to occur. This is something Nuss can help you with by viewing and recording the property but it is highly recommended that you inspect the property yourself.

In many cases the real estate agency will want the applicant to view the property personally before applying.

Can I enrol my children in school before I arrive?

If you choose a private school, then in principle, yes you can but if you choose a public school then no you cannot as you need to prove that you live in the school's catchment area.

Can my child start school at any time throughout the year or do they have to wait until the start of the new year?

They can start at any time throughout the year subject to obtaining a place.

Can I drive on my current licence?

You can for the first three months then you will need to convert it to a WA Drivers Licence, unless your licence is not in English (Please refer to our factsheet on Transportation for further information).

