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SHORT-TERM HOUSING

For a stay of anywhere from two nights to six weeks, you may choose to stay in a serviced apartment, hotel, or backpacker-type hostel, depending on your budget and comfort preferences. Many of these places offer a discount for longer stays, so be sure to ask them.

Hotel room rates in Singapore have reached record highs in the last few years, and many three- and four-star hotels now have average room rates of SGD180 to more than SGD230+++ per night. (The “+++” that follows hotel rates usually refer to a 10% service charge, 7% Goods & Services Tax, and 1% Cess tax.) Budget hotels such as those in the Hotel 81 or Fragrance Hotel chains average around SGD120 to SGD190+++ per double room. Backpacker hostels’ rates average around SGD20 per bed in a shared accommodation room, or SGD40 to SGD80 per private room.

Many of the backpacker hostels and other budget accommodation options tend to be found in the Bugis/Little India districts. Please be warned that even though you may find many budget hotels in the Geylang area, crime is an issue in this district, and therefore it is not recommended for students to stay in this area.

Budget Accommodation

Airbnb.com: www.airbnb.com
Hostelworld: www.hostelworld.com
Hostels.com: www.hostels.com
YMCA: www.ymcaih.com.sg/rates-promotions/rates
YWCA: www.ywcaflodge.org.sg
A Beary Good Hostel: www.abearygoodhostel.com
Hangout Hotels: www.hangouthotels.com/singapore
*Fragrance Hotel (budget hotel chain): www.fragrancehotel.com

For more hostels, including hostels that offer long-term housing options, see the Hostels section.

*Note: These websites may include locations in Geylang, but it is not recommended for students to stay in those locations.

Serviced Apartments

If a student has a bigger budget and would like more comfortable accommodations, there are many serviced apartments in Singapore that come fully furnished, often with a fully equipped kitchen. Some may also include cable TV, Internet, and housekeeping services.

Move and Stay.com – A list of all the serviced apartments in Singapore
http://www.moveandstay.com/singapore/servicedapartments.asp

*Frasers Hospitality: singapore-place.frasershospitality.com
Global Residences: www.globalresidence.com.sg
Far East Hospitality: http://www.stayfareast.com/
Shangri-La Apartments: [www.shangri-la.com](http://www.shangri-la.com)
Contact: Samantha Lim, Assistant Sales Manager - (65) 6213 4635, [samantha.lim@shangri-la.com](mailto:samantha.lim@shangri-la.com)

*Note: Fraser Place Fusionopolis is approximately two minutes walking distance from DIT's campus.*

**Hostels**

These are some hostels that offer short-term as well as long-term accommodation options.

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<th>Name of Hostels</th>
<th>Contact Details</th>
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<td>Beary Good Hostels</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.abearygoodhostel.com">www.abearygoodhostel.com</a> Video: <a href="http://youtu.be/SggBMZuSvFo">youtu.be/SggBMZuSvFo</a> Blog: <a href="http://abearygoodhostel.blogspot.com">abearygoodhostel.blogspot.com</a> Email: <a href="mailto:reservations@abearygoodhostel.com">reservations@abearygoodhostel.com</a> Phone: (65) 6222 4955</td>
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<tr>
<td>Beary Nice Hostels</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.abearygoodhostel.com/bearynice/news.htm">www.abearygoodhostel.com/bearynice/news.htm</a> Email: <a href="mailto:NiceReservations@abearygoodhostel.com">NiceReservations@abearygoodhostel.com</a> Phone: (65) 6222 4951</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Katong Group of Hostels</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.katonghostel.com">www.katonghostel.com</a> Contact: Joanne Azul Email: <a href="mailto:joanne@katonghostel.com">joanne@katonghostel.com</a>, <a href="mailto:info@katonghostel.com">info@katonghostel.com</a> Phone: (65) 6346 6420</td>
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<tr>
<td>Rucksack Inn</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.rucksackinn.com">www.rucksackinn.com</a> Email: <a href="mailto:reservations@rucksackinn.com">reservations@rucksackinn.com</a> Phone: (65) 6438 5146</td>
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<tr>
<td>Eton Hall</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://etonhallsingapore.wordpress.com">etonhallsingapore.wordpress.com</a> Email: <a href="mailto:etonhall@singnet.com.sg">etonhall@singnet.com.sg</a> Phone: (65) 6272 1201</td>
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<td>Evans Lodge @ East Themes Village</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.evanslodge.com.sg">www.evanslodge.com.sg</a> Email: <a href="mailto:reservation@evanslodge.com.sg">reservation@evanslodge.com.sg</a> Phone: (65) 6836 0778</td>
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<tr>
<td>Sun Vista City Lodge</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.sunvistalodge.com">www.sunvistalodge.com</a> Email: <a href="mailto:enquiries@sunvistalodge.com">enquiries@sunvistalodge.com</a> Phone: (65) 6297 8001</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>94 Holdings Pte Ltd</td>
<td>Website: <a href="http://www.94hostels.com">www.94hostels.com</a></td>
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Hostels Near The Campus

Queensway Hostel

Single Studio

Double Bedroom 4 Sharing 6 Sharing

Nearest MRT station: Commonwealth
For the rates and to make an online booking, visit www.katonghostel.com/queensway.
Contact: Joanne Azul - (65) 6479 7329, joanne@katonghostel.com

Evan Hostel

Double Studio Double Common Quartet Studio

Nearest MRT station: Botanic Gardens
For the rates and to make an online booking, visit www.katonghostel.com/evan.
Contact: Joanne Azul - (65) 6836 5835, joanne@katonghostel.com
LONG-TERM HOUSING

Housing Development Board (HDB) Apartments

The majority of Singaporeans live in HDB flats, which are government-subsidized apartments. HDB flats tend to be more affordable and are usually of good quality, but may not be as luxurious as private housing.

HDB housing estates are often situated in self-sufficient neighbourhoods with malls, supermarkets, restaurants, libraries, clinics, public swimming pools, sports complexes, buses, and MRT stations.

Here is a snapshot of the Singapore market rates of places near DigiPen's campus:

<table>
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<tr>
<th>Neighbourhood</th>
<th>Property Description</th>
<th>Monthly Rental (SGD)</th>
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<tr>
<td>Buona Vista</td>
<td>Common room in HDB, a/c.</td>
<td>$900 – $1000</td>
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<tr>
<td>Commonwealth/Tanglin Halt</td>
<td>Common room in HDB, a/c.</td>
<td>$700 – $900</td>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Master room in HDB, a/c.</td>
<td>$1,500 – $1,700</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>2-bedroom HDB flat, a/c, newly furnished &amp; renovated.</td>
<td>$2,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Clementi</td>
<td>Common room in HDB, a/c.</td>
<td>$750 – $850</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Master room in HDB, a/c.</td>
<td>$900 – $1,000</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dover</td>
<td>Common room in HDB, a/c.</td>
<td>$600 – $700</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Holland Village</td>
<td>Common room in HDB, a/c.</td>
<td>$750 – $850</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td>Master room in HDB, a/c.</td>
<td>$1,700 – $1,800</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Queenstown / Strathmore</td>
<td>Common room* for rent in HDB flat, fully furnished, a/c, new furniture.</td>
<td>$750 – $850</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

*Common room refers to a bedroom without an en-suite/attached bathroom. Bathrooms are shared with other occupants of the apartment. "a/c" refers to air conditioning.

You will find the market rates of all locations in Singapore at rentinsingapore.com/current_rental_market_rates. This page is updated daily to reflect the current rental rates.

Private Accommodation

Private housing consists of condominiums, high-rise or walk-up apartments, and shop houses, as well as houses (known as “landed property” in Singapore). The quality can vary widely, from run-down to posh and from relatively affordable to quite expensive.

Most condominiums offer 24-hour security and access to amenities such as swimming pools, gyms, and tennis courts on-site. However, condominiums are often less accessible to bus stops and MRT stations, and farther away from grocery stores, restaurants, and shopping malls compared to the average HDB estate.
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Step 1. Create a budget
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Step 3. Engage a real estate agent(s)
Step 4. View and select properties
Step 5. Tenancy documentation
Step 6. Tenant’s payments – security deposit & advance rental
Step 7. Taking over of premises

STEP ONE: CREATE A BUDGET

Your budget will largely determine the size, type, and location of housing you choose. Studio and one-bedroom apartments are rare and therefore tend to be expensive. Sharing an apartment with several housemates will help bring down not just rental costs but also start-up costs and monthly expenses. The following costs have been estimated for non-Singaporean students and are approximate at best, and should therefore only be used as an indicative guide.

Start-up costs
You should prepare to meet the following start-up costs, bearing in mind that you may not have access to a local bank account or SGD cheque at the time when these payments must be made:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Cost (SGD)</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tr>
<td>Realtor’s fee</td>
<td>Equivalent to half-a-month to one month’s rent</td>
<td>This is also known as an agent’s commission.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Security deposit for accommodation</td>
<td>Equivalent to one to two month’s rent</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Stamp duty</td>
<td>As a guide, stamp duty for a one-year lease on a $2,440 per month rental</td>
<td>Where annual rent exceeds $1,000, stamp duty is based on the contractual rent or market rent, whichever is higher.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Student Pass</td>
<td>Processing fee: $30 Issuance fee: $60 Multiple-entry visa (if required): $30</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Deposit for cell/mobile phone account</td>
<td>Mobile line subscription: $200 Mobile applications with phone purchase: $450 to $800</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Phone – land line</td>
<td>$53.50</td>
<td>One-time activation charge</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Utilities deposit</td>
<td>$120 – $800 (depending on type of housing – see table below)</td>
<td>Note: The utilities deposit will be used to offset your final utilities bill. Any remaining balance will be refunded to you upon closure of the account.</td>
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Utilities Deposit for Non-Singaporean/Non-Permanent Resident

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<th>Types of Premises</th>
<th>Deposit</th>
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<tr>
<td></td>
<td>GIRO Customers</td>
<td>Non-GIRO Customers</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HDB 1 or 2 rooms</td>
<td>$80</td>
<td>$120</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HDB 3, 4 or 5 rooms</td>
<td>$140</td>
<td>$200</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>HDB Executive/HUDC Flat/ Terrace House</td>
<td>$200</td>
<td>$300</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Condominium/Semi-Detached House/Private Apartment</td>
<td>$300</td>
<td>$500</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Bungalow/Penthouse/ Townhouse</td>
<td>$500</td>
<td>$800</td>
</tr>
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</table>
Note: “GIRO” is similar to a direct-debit arrangement through which you can arrange to have your bills paid automatically from a Singapore bank account.

Monthly costs associated with accommodation
Some price estimates for key monthly expenses are listed below. These should be used as a guide only:

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<tr>
<th>Item</th>
<th>Cost (SGD)</th>
<th>Notes</th>
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<tr>
<td>Rental</td>
<td>$800 – $2,500 per person</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Utilities</td>
<td>$80 – $100 per dwelling</td>
<td>Note: Your utilities bill may be significantly higher if you use the a/c and live in non-HDB housing.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Internet</td>
<td>$50 – $120 per dwelling</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Cable TV</td>
<td>From $30 per dwelling</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Phone Land Line</td>
<td>$18 – $30 per dwelling</td>
<td>Your phone bill will be significantly higher if you call long-distance. Some students forgo a landline and use their cell phone as their primary number.</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

STEP TWO: DECIDE IF YOU WANT TO RENT A ROOM OR A WHOLE APARTMENT

Renting a room is often more economical than renting a whole apartment, even if in the latter case, you intend to share the apartment with a few housemates. Room rental costs sometimes include utilities, internet, etc.

However, if you decide to rent a room, it would be prudent to ask the following questions before putting down a deposit:

- Who else lives here, and when are they usually home?
- Will I be allowed to cook? What do you mean by “light cooking only”?
- Will it be okay for me to have guests over?
- Will I have access to the house phone, internet, television, etc.?
- Who is the owner of the property? If the party renting out the room is not the owner, is he allowed to sublet?

Often, families may rent out a room for extra income, and the extent of their hospitality to the tenant can vary greatly. Some would prefer that the tenant keep mainly to his/her room, while others may welcome the tenant as a family member, even to the extent of doing laundry for them!

STEP THREE: ENGAGE A REAL ESTATE AGENT(S)

Professional real estate agents in Singapore will help you find an apartment and will protect your interests throughout the tenancy. Real estate agents in Singapore work on a commission basis only and do not receive a fee for their work unless they succeed in securing an apartment for you. Thus, even if you were to work with several agents at the same time, you would only have to pay the agent who secures the accommodation that you end up living in. Please also note that the commission rate is not fixed and is in fact negotiable. The Council for Estate Agencies (CEA) does not fix commission rates or provide commission guidelines so as to allow market forces to drive competition pricing in the industry. However, you should take note of the norms that are currently applicable to commission payable.

Your agent should be able to recommend suitable properties that meet your various needs at a reasonable price. He or she will also ensure that all tenancy documents are in order and that you are negotiating with law-abiding and legitimate landlords. Some questions that would be good to ask a real estate agent whom you are thinking of working with include:
• Will you charge me commission, and how much will you charge? (Currently, the generally accepted commission practice is a) half-a-month to a full-month’s rent for a tenancy term less than 24-months and b) if your tenancy term is at least 24-months and your monthly rent is above SGD3000, you are not expected to pay any commission.

• What services can I expect to receive from you? Will you help me to apply for utilities, etc., at no extra charge?

• Are you also representing the landlord? (If so, whose interests will the agent look out for?)

If you choose to conduct a housing search independently, you should be aware that many of the listings you see in the classifieds and online are posted by real estate agents representing landlords. Very few owners/landlords attempt to rent out their property without the help of an agent. You should always check with these agents if you, as a tenant, will be expected to pay them commission (even though they may have only shown you one apartment).

Note the following regarding the laws that have been implemented for real estate agents:

• From 22 Oct 2010, any entity carrying out estate agency work in Singapore, either for local or foreign properties, must obtain a license from the Council for Estate Agencies (CEA).
• From 1 Jan 2011, any individual (who is not a licensee) performing estate agency work in Singapore must be registered with the Council for Estate Agencies, through the estate agent under whom he/she works.
• Conducting estate agency work without a valid license or registration is an offence under the Estate Agents Act 2010.

You may verify that you are dealing with a licensed real estate agent by doing a search on the public registry of the Council for Estate Agencies. You may also download the mobile app “CEA@SG” for iOS and Android devices.

STEP FOUR: VIEW AND SELECT PROPERTIES

Real estate agents following common practices will pre-select a list of properties that meet your requirements. Rounds of viewing inspections will be arranged to show you apartments and their immediate surroundings. Second viewings can also be arranged to confirm your final choice. When you have decided on a property, your agent will negotiate the rental terms and offers with the landlord or the owners’ representatives.

If and when negotiations are successful, you will need to prepare the following documents to confirm the tenancy:

• A photocopy of your passport
• A photocopy of your student pass
• One month’s rent as a ‘good faith deposit’

Your agent will then prepare the necessary tenancy documents including the ‘Letter of Intent’ and ‘Tenancy Agreement’.

STEP FIVE: TENANCY DOCUMENTATION

Letter of Intent

The ‘Letter of Intent’ (LOI) is a letter to the landlord stating a renter’s intention to lease a property and any requirements the renter has. Usually the LOI will state the security deposit amount. The LOI will include the following information:

Term of Lease

In Singapore, the standard lease period is two years, with or without an option to renew. The lease renewal is usually for another one to two years. Some landlords will accept a one-year lease. A landlord will normally require a tenant to give two or three months’ advance notice if they intend to renew their lease. Landlords are very reluctant to accept leases that are less than one year.
Good Faith Deposit

This booking deposit is usually equivalent in value to one month's rent. After the landlord signs the LOI and accepts a 'good faith deposit', they cannot rent the property to any other party. This deposit will become part of the security deposit or advance rental after the legal Tenancy Agreement is signed.

Security Deposit Amount

The security deposit amount is usually stated in the LOI. The standard security deposit equals one month's rent for every year of lease. If, for example, a tenant is signing a two-year lease, and will pay $1,000 per month, the tenant should expect to provide $2,000 for the security deposit.

The tenant will pay the deposit when they sign the Tenancy Agreement. When the lease term ends, the security deposit will be refunded without interest. The landlord reserves the right to deduct from the deposit all costs, damages, and expenses arising from the tenant for breaching any of the covenants stated in the Tenancy Agreement. This deposit cannot be used to offset rent owed.

Tenants' Requirements

The apartment can be rented either fully furnished or partially furnished. A fully furnished apartment usually contains, in addition to furniture, all essential electric appliances such as a refrigerator, washing machine (and rarely, a dryer), a stove, fan or air conditioner, curtains, lighting, water heater, etc.

A partially furnished apartment may include essential appliances (refrigerator, washing machine, curtains, and lighting fixtures,) but not furniture. Sometimes, some furniture and appliances may be included (e.g. bed, wardrobe, fan, a/c) but not others (e.g. TV, stove, dining table). With partially furnished accommodations, the situation can vary widely, so always ask what is included and what can potentially be included.

Although a house may be unfurnished or partially furnished at the time of viewing, a potential tenant can always request the landlord to fully furnish it with specified items. These requests are subject to negotiation and will be factors when the final rental amount is decided. The tenant must ensure that all requirements and requests are clearly stated in the LOI. Requests could include a fresh coat of paint, a new sofa, additional beds, a TV, etc. By signing the LOI, a landlord enters a legal contract to make good on all the requests stated therein.

Diplomatic or Repatriate Clause

This clause safeguards tenants who discontinue their studies in Singapore and have to leave the country. Per this agreement, a tenant can terminate the lease after 12 months by giving two months notice and providing proper documentation. Documentation can be in the form of a letter from the school confirming withdrawal, or from the Immigration and Checkpoints Authority (ICA) stating the cancellation of the tenant's student pass. Thereafter, the security deposit will be refunded. It should be noted that most landlords will only agree to include a diplomatic clause if the lease is for two years or more.

Tenancy Agreement

Once the landlord has accepted the proposed rental, goodwill deposit, and signed the LOI, the landlord or his agent will prepare the 'Tenancy Agreement' (TA). The TA sets out the covenants both the tenant and the landlord agree to follow in their rental relationship. It is a legal contract detailing how long the tenant can occupy the property and the amount of rent due each month.

The agreement should comply with all relevant policies and local laws, including occupancy rules, immigration policy, condominium managements’ rules and regulations, security deposits, notice requirements for entering rental property, diplomatic clauses or rules for changing or ending a tenancy, and more. Your agent should help you make sure everything is in order and that the tenancy agreement is fair and unbiased toward all parties. A TA includes the following essential elements:

Names and Particulars of Landlord and Tenant

The names, passport number or National Registration Identity Card number (NRIC), and corresponding addresses of both landlord and tenant are included. Please remember that your name should appear on your lease exactly as it does on your passport.
Term of the Tenancy
The commencement date of the tenancy, length of tenancy, and renewal option are clearly spelled out.

Rent
The rental amount per month, when it is due (typically the first of the month), and how it needs to be paid will be specified. Cheque deposits and bank transfers into a landlord's designated account are two prevalent methods of payment.

Security Deposit
Corresponding to the LOI, the deposit amount is usually equivalent to one month's rent for every year of lease. The security deposit is paid when the tenancy agreement is signed.

Diplomatic or Escape Clause
As stated above, this clause safeguards the tenant if he/she leave Singapore. You can terminate the lease after 12 months by giving two months notice. Thereafter, the security deposit will be refunded to you.

Reimbursement Clause
In a standard Singapore tenancy agreement, the ‘reimbursement clause’ is coupled with the ‘diplomatic clause’. It states that if you exercise the diplomatic clause, you will have to reimburse part of the commission the landlord paid to his or her agent. If the tenant is breaking a two-year lease and leaves after the first year, the landlord would likely demand that a portion of the fee paid to the real estate agent be reimbursed by the tenant who is leaving.

Justification for the clause stems from the fact that the landlord originally paid a commission fee for two years' worth of occupancy, but is, as a result of the tenant breaking the lease per the diplomatic clause, only receiving one year's worth of occupancy. If a landlord grants a diplomatic clause, he/she will usually require the reimbursement clause to be included in the tenancy agreement.

Public Utilities, Telephone and Cable Television
The installation charges and monthly bills for the following services are the tenant's responsibility:

SP Services - water, electricity and city gas supply
www.spservices.com.sg/

Singapore Telecom - residential telephone line
welcome.singtel.com/

Cable TV (SCV) - cable television and broadband Internet

Repairs and Maintenance
The tenant is responsible for maintaining the leased premises. He or she will have to take up service contracts for items such as air-conditioning, gardening, and pest control or pool servicing (if required).

The tenant will also carry out minor repairs and pay for the nominal costs associated with the repairs. In a standard agreement, the tenant will only be responsible if the amount of the repair does not exceed S$100 to S$200 depending on the housing type.

Major repairs are the landlord's responsibility provided that the damage or malfunction of appliances is not caused by the tenant's negligence.

STEP SIX: TENANT’S PAYMENTS – SECURITY DEPOSIT & ADVANCE RENTAL
The security deposit and advance rental are paid when the tenant signs the Tenancy Agreement.

- One year lease: one month's security deposit and one month's advance rental, minus the goodwill deposit (if applicable) that you have paid when signing the LOI.

- Two years lease: two month's deposit and one month's advance rental, minus the goodwill deposit (if applicable) that you have paid when signing the LOI.
Stamp Duty
After the TA has been signed, it must be stamped by the Inland Revenue Authority of Singapore (IRAS). Only after the TA has been stamped can it be submitted as legal and valid evidence in court to resolve any disputes that may arise.

The stamp duty is usually borne by the tenant and computed as follows:
One month’s rent x the number of months of lease / $250 = Stamp duty

For example:
The Stamp duty for a one-year rental contract, which costs $3000 per month, would be calculated as follows.
$3000 X 12 months / $250 = $144 Stamp Duty
In the rare event the rental period is less than 12 months, the tenant will pay the stamp duty for one year.

Agency service fee payable by tenant
If the tenancy term is one or two years, the agency service fee is half one month’s rent (for private properties) and one month’s rent for HDB flats. This fee applies to rental amounts of up to $2500 per month. If the rental amount of the apartment / house you are renting exceeds $2,500 per month, the tenant will not incur any agency service fees. (The landlord will bear all service fees.)

STEP SEVEN: TAKING OVER OF PREMISES
The landlord or their agent will prepare an inventory list on or before the day the apartment is handed over to the tenant. Utilities accounts will have to be transferred to the tenant by this day. Check all the items listed in the inventory. Ensure that all electrical appliances, air-conditioning units, lightings, water heater, etc. are in good working condition. It is a common practice for the tenant to request a one-month testing period to be sure all appliances and furniture are in good working condition.

If anything is not working or is working unsatisfactorily, note it down on the inventory list. Allow the landlord or his workmen to rectify the defects within a reasonable period.

ADDITIONAL RESOURCES
Rent in Singapore:
www.rentinsingapore.com
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