

Board Selection Criteria

Agency, Board or Commission	Housing Authority
1	<p>Statute</p> <p>C. 211, RSNS 1989, the <i>Housing Act</i>.</p>
2	<p>Purpose</p> <p>To oversee the management of public housing with respect to Applicant/Tenant matters in accordance with the practice and procedures established by the Minister.</p>
3	<p>Functions</p> <p>To review and where appropriate, approve applications of applicants, to respond to tenant-related matters, approve tenant transfer, issue Notice to Quit, and act in an advisory capacity to the Department on issues relating to public housing policy both of a local and provincial nature.</p>
4	<p>Composition</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> -One representative from each municipality in the region served by the Housing Authority. -Minimum of two Provincial representatives. -Maximum of two representatives of tenants residing in premises managed by the Housing Authority. -Two ex-officio members (the Housing Authority General Manager and a Regional Housing Director or designate).
5	<p>Formal Qualifications</p> <p>None specified in the <i>Act</i>.</p>
6	<p>Work & Experience Requirements</p> <p>None specified.</p>
7	<p>Skills Required</p> <p>Demonstrate the ability to be impartial, fair, objective and courteous when dealing with applicants and tenant-related issues.</p>

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8	Statutory Nomination Requirements	<p>-Municipal representatives are nominated by the municipalities in the region served by the Housing Authority and appointed by the Minister of Community Services.</p> <p>-Provincial representatives are nominated by the Minister of Community Services and appointed by Executive Council on approval of the Human Resources Committee of the Nova Scotia Legislature.</p> <p>-Tenant representatives are nominated by the Housing Authority Board and appointed by the Minister of Community Services.</p>
9	Term of Appointment	<p>-No limitation on the term of appointment is set out in the <i>Act</i>; however, pursuant to Departmental policy, board members must 'sit out' a term after having served two consecutive three-year terms.</p> <p>-Board members may be nominated for a third three-year term if a municipality or the Housing Authority Board has been unable to identify a suitable replacement member, or if the Minister wishes to extend a current member's appointment for a third term.</p>
10	Remuneration	Expenses only.
11	Anticipated Time Commitments	Full Board meets annually. Standing committees in Middleton/New Minas and Bridgewater meet every two months. Standing committee in Yarmouth meets every month, providing there is quorum.
12	Other Notes	<p><u>The following persons are not eligible for appointment:</u> Elected persons holding federal, provincial or municipal office; the spouse of an elected official; employees of a Housing Authority; employees of the Department of Community Services; employees of Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation; employees of the Municipality that fall within the Housing Authority's jurisdiction; individuals who own or are directors of companies that have entered into a rent supplement agreement with the Minister and the respective Housing Authority; employees or owners of businesses that deal with the Housing Authorities.</p>