

Landlords: Are you ready for your inspection?

Landlords are responsible to maintain rental units in compliance with city codes and laws. This list includes the most common violations/complaints at rental units in the city of Winona. This list is not all inclusive, but only the most frequently noted. Please “pre-inspect” your rental units prior to scheduled inspection and routinely during tenancy.

- Smoke detectors required inside and outside of all bedrooms and on every floor
- Carbon monoxide detectors required to be installed within 10’ of all bedroom doors
- Fire extinguisher missing or not annually serviced. Minimum size of 2A 10BC
- Overloaded outlets or extension cords
- Missing or broken screens and storm windows
- Windows and doors that do not open or close properly
- Exposed electrical wire
- Ground fault outlets (GFCI) missing or wired incorrectly in kitchens and bathrooms
- Cover plates on switches and outlets missing or broken
- Loose floor coverings
- Handrails and guardrails missing or not securely attached
- Exterior weather protection or paint missing or deteriorated
- General upkeep of exterior (rotted or missing siding or trim etc.)
- Foundation tight with no holes or cracks
- Peeling paint on interior or exterior
- Chimneys and exterior appendages are in good repair
- Roof covering is in good repair
- Mechanical systems (furnace, water heater) are installed and working properly
- Trash and recycling containers are present and stored in rear yard
- House numbers and owners placard must be clearly visible
- Junk on porches or in yards not allowed
- Upholstered furniture on open porches must be removed
- Deadbolts on all exterior doors