Important to know about subletting

What is subletting? Why does my landlord need to know that I sublet my apartment?

You are considered to be subletting if you let someone else live in your apartment without living there yourself, regardless of whether you collect rent from your subtenant or not. It is important that your landlord knows who is currently living in the apartment. It is primarily a matter of safety, both for your subtenant and for your neighbors. In the event of an accident, the landlord may need to get in touch with the person who lives in the apartment, and for the neighbors it can feel safe to know who their neighbor is.

Applying for permission

If you want to sublet your apartment, firstly you must apply for permission from your landlord. The approval is usually in writing and requires you to have valid reasons for the subletting, such as studying or working elsewhere. If you sublet your apartment without the landlords consent, you risk losing your lease.

During the subletting

It is not permitted to charge more rent than you pay yourself. However, an exception might be made if you are renting out the apartment and including furniture. Remember that you are responsible for the apartment while you are subletting. This means that you are responsible for any damages or disturbances even if they are caused by the subtenant.

Are you considering subletting your apartment and want more information about your obligations? Please contact your landlord.