## **New Form Numbering System**

For years, the **ORHA Forms** Committee has numbered our forms sequentially and just kept adding new numbers to new forms, regardless of what the form was used for. This year marks a big change for us; we are implementing a system that will group the forms in a logical order that we hope will help our Members keep track of what forms serve which purpose during the tenancy.

The new form numbers will always start with a letter indicating the category they belong to:

Screening Forms = S

Move-in Forms = M

Operational Forms = 0

Violation Forms = V

**Termination Forms** = **T** 

There are, however, some forms that belong to more than one category, for example, the *Reasonable Accommodation and Verification Form*. Because it can be used both at move-in and operationally during the tenancy, it is numbered MO2 (Move-in / Operational #2).

For forms that overlap categories, we have combined letters to indicate that:

MO – for Move-in and Operational

MT - for Move-in and Termination

VT - for Violation and Termination

Portland-Specific Forms are designated with a PD suffix as well as the category code and number. For example, Portland has its own Screening Forms so the form *Application Screening Guidelines – Landlord Choice*, is labeled *S4PD (Screening, #4, Portland-Specific)*. Also, for Portland Landlords, the **ORHA Forms Store** has a button you can click to show only the Portland Forms and other State Forms that are okay to use in the City of Portland.

In addition, the **ORHA Forms Store** (<a href="https://store.oregonrentalhousing.com">https://store.oregonrentalhousing.com</a>) will automatically direct you to the Portland-Specific version of a form as needed by detecting the City entered as "**Portland**" in the "City" field of the Web-form. For Portland-Specific Forms, if any other city is entered, you will be re-directed back to the appropriate State Form.

As cities pile on law overlays, it becomes much more difficult to keep our Members up to date, so if other cities come up with their own distinct rules, we will use a two-letter code to identify the special form for use in that city.

By grouping forms that belong together in the **ORHA Forms Manual** and in the **ORHA Forms Store**, we continue our mission to help our Members across the state build financial stability and generational wealth through Rental Property Ownership. Our next **ORHA Forms Store** project will allow our members to fill in one form and then have any other selected forms auto populated with the same information.

There are great things ahead – thank you for your support!

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