REGISTERING FOR THE ONLINE SUBSIDIZED HOUSING PORTAL:

A guide for existing applicants



York Region has launched an online portal for subsidized housing applicants that lets you easily check the status of your application, change building selections and update information. The online portal is a faster, more convenient way to manage your subsidized housing application. In the future, York Region will use the online portal to offer available units.

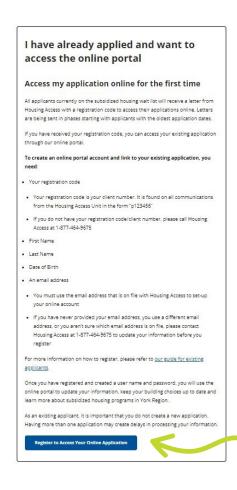
All applicants currently on the subsidized housing wait list will receive a letter from Housing Access with a registration code to access their application online. Letters are being sent in phases, starting with individuals with the oldest application dates.

This document provides additional resources to help you register your online account and link it to your application.



Step 1. Registering your online account and linking to your existing application

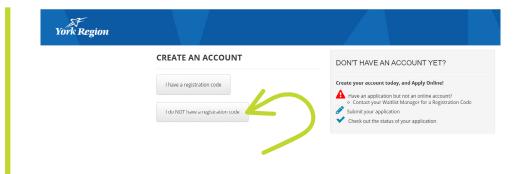
Go to www.york.ca/applyforhousing and scroll down to select "Register to Access Your Online Application".



Click the button and a new web page will open. You will be taken to <u>York Region's online housing application portal</u>

As an existing applicant for subsidized housing in York Region, select "I have a registration code."

If you do not have the letter with your registration code handy, you can contact Access York at 1-877-464-9675 to request it.



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Enter your registration code and the following information:

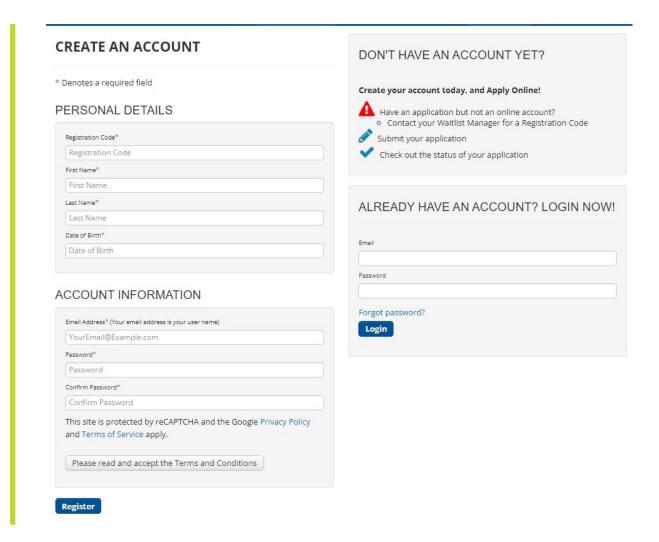
- First name
- Last name
- Date of birth, using the format DD/MM/YYYY
- An email address

The email address used to register for the online portal must match the one on file in your application. If the email field in your registration letter is blank or you no longer use that email address, or you have not received your letter and are not sure which email address is on file, please contact Access York at 1-877-464-9675 to update your information before you register.

You must also read and accept the Terms and Conditions.

Your email address will be your login ID. You will also need to create a password for your account:

- Passwords must be at least 10 characters
- Passwords must contain 1 uppercase letter, 1 lowercase letter, 1 number and 1 symbol

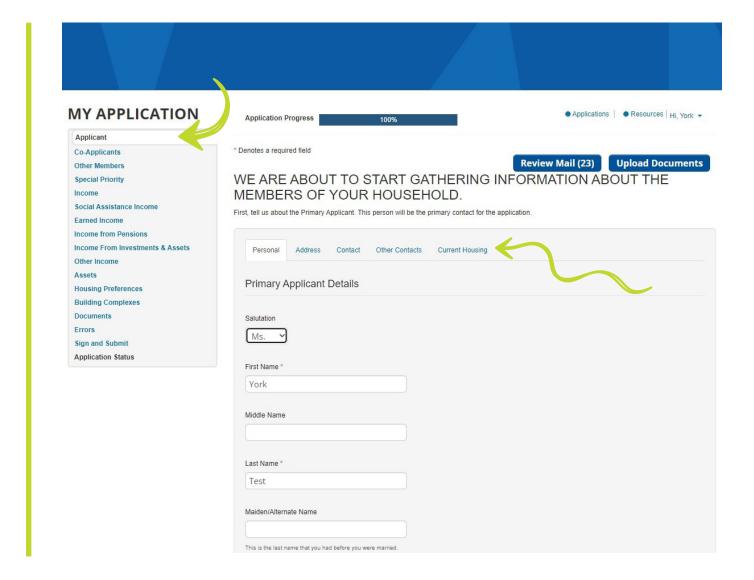


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Step 2. Reviewing your information

Your information will already be in the online system. The first time you log in, you will need to click through each screen. Please review your contact information and make changes if needed.

After the first time you log in, you will be able to navigate to different sections by clicking on the heading to the left of the screen.



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Step 3. Choosing your building preferences

You may have already made building selections. You can update your building choices at any time using the Building Complexes screen.

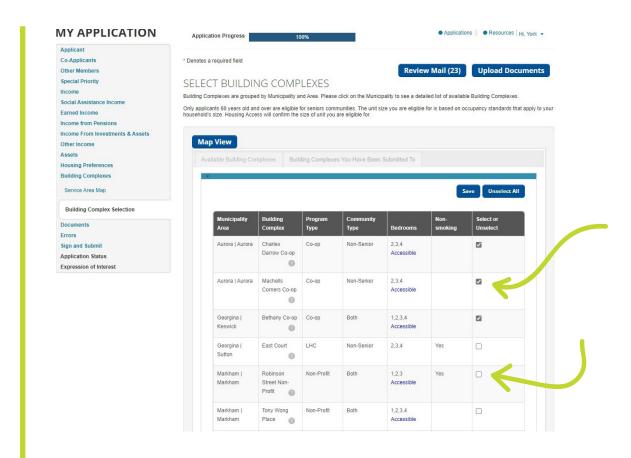
You will see two tabs:

- All Available Building Complexes: this tab shows all building complexes in all service areas that use the Social Housing Online portal, including areas outside of York Region
- Building Complexes You Have Been Submitted To: this tab shows the buildings you have chosen

In the York Region service area, you can see information about each building, including available unit sizes. You can learn more about York Region buildings by visiting <u>york.ca</u>.

To add a building to your selections, click the white check box. It will turn grey and show a check mark. To remove a building selection, click one of the filled in check boxes to remove the check mark. You must save any changes to your building selections by clicking the blue "Save" button.

York Region will review your building selections and approve them if you are eligible.



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Step 4. Signing and submitting your online registration

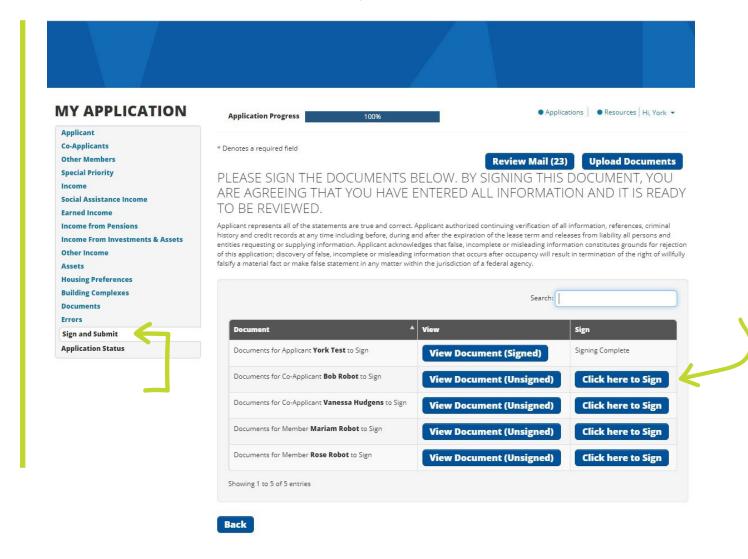
When you register for the online portal, each household member over the age of 16 must electronically sign the Release, Consent and Declaration for the application.

Signing and submitting the Release, Consent and Declaration form is required to successfully complete the registration process and access the online portal.

You must follow these steps to add an electronic signature for each household member over 16:

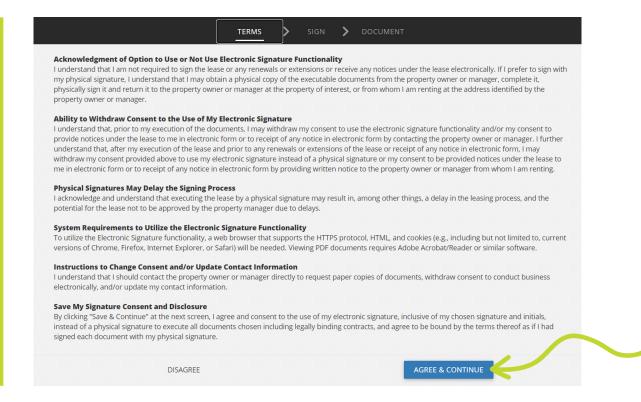
a. Select "Click here to sign". A summary of your application will open. It may take a minute for the document to pop up.

Scroll to the bottom of the document, click on the sign button, and then submit.

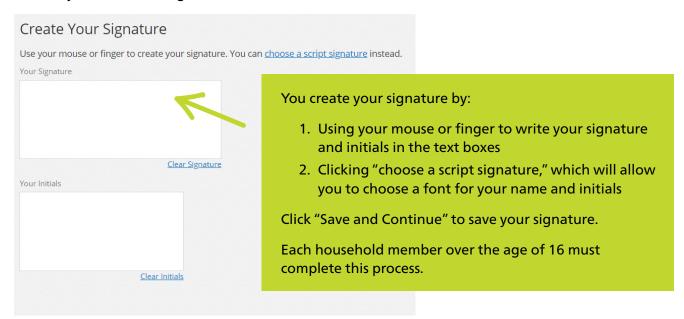


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b. You will be asked to read a consent form to use your electronic signature. When you are ready to sign, click "Agree and Continue."

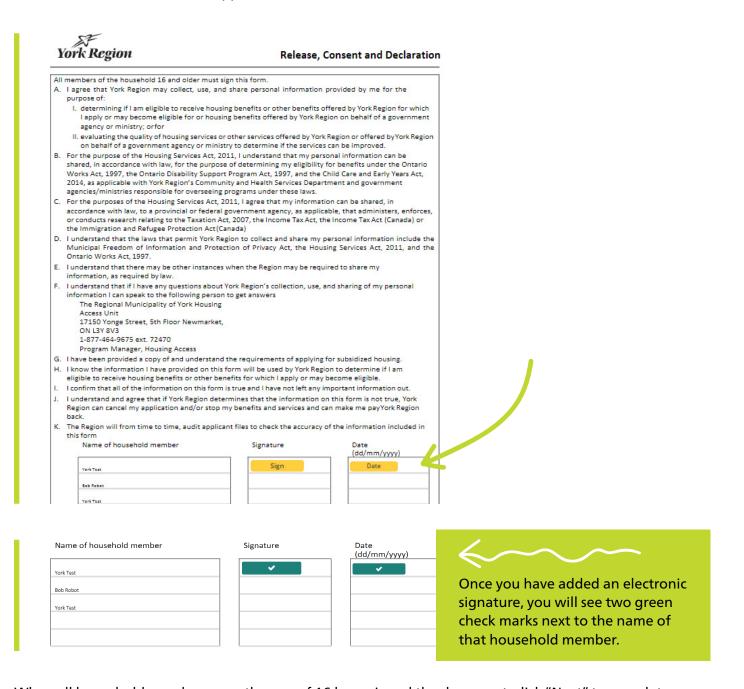


c. Create your electronic signature



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d. Add your signature to the Release, Consent and Declaration by clicking the yellow "Sign" button next to the name of the applicant. Click the "Date" button to add the date



When all household members over the age of 16 have signed the document, click "Next" to complete your online registration and see a summary of your application. **Your account is now registered!**

Contact ACCESS YORK for assistance 1-877-464-9675 accessyork@york.ca

Hours of operation: Monday to Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

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