

Right to Buy landlords

To have the Right to Buy your home you must be a secure tenant of one of the following bodies:

- A district council
- A county council or county borough council
- A London borough council
- The Common Council of the City of London
- The Council of the Isles of Scilly

- A metropolitan county police authority
- The Northumbria Police Authority
- A metropolitan county fire and civil defence authority
- The London Fire and Civil Defence Authority
- A metropolitan county passenger authority
- The London Waste Regulation Authority
- The West London, North London, East London and Western Riverside Waste Disposal Authorities
- The Merseyside and Greater Manchester Waste Disposal Authorities

A registered provider such as a housing association which is registered with the Homes and Communities Agency. This only applies if you are a secure tenant; or a former secure tenant of a local authority or another Right to Buy landlord and your home was transferred to a registered provider.

You may not buy your home if you are the tenant of a registered provider which is:

- A charity
- A landlord which has not received public subsidy
- A co-operative association
- The Homes and Communities Agency

Other public bodies

When working out whether you qualify to buy and the amount of discount to which you are entitled, you may count any periods of tenancy of a house or flat with any of the bodies listed below. You can't buy your home from most of the bodies listed below, but you can count the time you were a tenant with any of them towards your qualifying period and discount:

- Community councils
- Local authorities
- New town corporations
- Parish councils

- Urban Development Corporations
- Housing Action Trusts
- Registered providers (but not co-operative housing associations)

Government departments
Ministers of the Crown
Secretary of State (in some circumstances)
Area electricity boards
Fire and rescue authorities
Internal drainage boards

National Health Service trusts and foundation trusts
Passenger transport executives
Police authorities
Water authorities

AFRC Institute for Grassland and Animal Production
Agricultural and Food Research Council
British Airports Authority
British Broadcasting Corporation
British Coal Corporation
British Gas Corporation
British Railways Board
British Steel Corporation
British Waterways Board
Central Electricity Generating Board
Church Commissioners
Civil Aviation Authority
Coal Authority
Electricity Council
English Sports Council
Environment Agency
Historic Buildings and Monuments Commission for England
Homes and Communities Agency
Lake District Special Planning Board
Lee Valley Regional Park Authority
Medical Research Council
National Bus Company
Natural England (in some circumstances)
Natural Environment Research Council
Peak Park Joint Planning Board
Post Office
Science and Engineering Research Council
Sports Council
Transport for London
Trinity House (in some circumstances)
United Kingdom Atomic Energy Authority
United Kingdom Sports Council