Renting in Quebec: before you sign and move in

A Quebec version of our renting checklist: what to check before you sign, what to keep, and the official rules on deposits and leases from the provincial page.

NAME _____ DATE _____

ADDRESS _____ LANDLORD OR MANAGER _____

MONTHLY RENT _____ DEPOSIT PAID AND DATE _____

BEFORE YOU SIGN AND ON MOVE-IN DAY

- [ ] Saw the unit in person or by live video
- [ ] Landlord's identity and ownership checked
- [ ] Lease read in full; copy kept
- [ ] Lease terms written down, even if agreed orally
- [ ] Asked about any deposit before paying
- [ ] Receipt for every payment
- [ ] Move-in condition inspection done and signed, with photos
- [ ] Tenant insurance arranged

Official rules for Quebec are on the provincial page in the sources. They change; check before you sign.

SOURCES (CHECKED 2026-11-26)

Quebec's Tribunal administratif du logement says a lease is an oral or written contract. https://www.tal.gouv.qc.ca/en/signing-a-lease (checked 2026-11-26)
Check current Quebec rules on deposits and leases on the official page. https://www.tal.gouv.qc.ca/en/signing-a-lease (checked 2026-11-26)