

FINDING ACCOMMODATION

Tips to avoid scams



1 Before arrival in France

- Never pay to access a list of accommodation
- Never send money to a person before you arrive in France
- Beware of offers which are too good to be true
- Check that the accommodation is real (using Google Maps)
- Do not send personal documents (risk of identity theft). Prefer to hand over your file when you visit the accommodation

2 On arrival in France

- Visit the accommodation before any transaction
- Do not pay by "money order", prefer a traceable payment. Ask for a signed receipt if you pay in cash.
- Only one month's rent plus the deposit (maximum two months' rent) can be requested. You should not be asked to pay any additional money.
- The tenancy agreement must be in your name. It must contain all the compulsory information (check www.service-public.fr/particuliers/vosdroits/F35109/1_0?idFicheParent=F920#1_0). Otherwise you will have no rights or guarantees (you may be subject to expulsion without notice).

Important : You will not be able to get housing benefit (CAF) if your name is not on the tenancy agreement.

If you have any doubts, contact us at welcomedesk@liste.parisnanterre.fr