

Information for applicants in Band D

More than 10,000 people have already applied to Ealing Council for housing and we receive up to 30 new applications each week, but each year we have less than 700 properties to allocate. This means that most people on the housing register will never be rehoused. Because of this, we use priority banding to help us see who has the greatest housing need, so that the properties we have go to the people who need them most.

If an applicant is already living in a home that meets the council's standards, then they are placed in band D and they are not allowed to bid. The standards that the council believes are acceptable are shown in this table:

Single person	Studio flat or 1 bedroom
Couple with no children	1 bedroom
Pregnant woman (with or without partner)	1 bedroom
Parent/s with child under 1	1 or 2 bedrooms
Parent/s with child over 1	2 bedrooms
Parent/s with 2 children under 10	2 bedrooms
Parent/s with 2 children, same sex up to age of 21	2 bedrooms
Parent/s with two children of opposite sex (one over ten)	2 or 3 bedrooms
Parents with 3 or 4 children	3 or 4 bedrooms
Parent/s with five or more children	5 bedrooms

If you have been placed in band D and you believe that this is not correct, you can ask for your application to be reassessed. To do this, you should contact us on 0208 825 8800.

There are three exceptions to this rule:

If someone in your family has been working at least 24 hours a week for at least twelve of the last eighteen months, then you can bid for properties where the advert says: **Priority to applicants in employment, working at least 24 hours per week & for 12 of the last 18 months.**

If you are over 50, you may be able to bid for properties reserved for older people. For information about this, contact us on 0208 825 7274.

If you are over 60 and have been assessed as suitable to live in sheltered accommodation, you can bid for sheltered properties. To request an assessment, please call 0208 825 8800.