

## Ways to Obtain Accommodation in Salford

### Homeless or threatened with being homeless in Salford

If you are homeless or it is not reasonable to stay where you are then you can apply to the Salford Housing Team to see if they have a duty to house or accommodate you. You can go to Salford Housing Options Point and ask for a full homelessness interview. You should go to 7 Wesley Street, Swinton, M27 6AD

### Renting from a private landlord

If you want to look for privately rented properties then Salford Local Authority has a list of approved landlords. If you are on benefits then you can see how much Housing Benefit and Universal Credit will pay towards your rent. This is based on the Local Housing allowance and for Salford you can check the amounts by visiting: <http://www.salford.gov.uk/benefits/local-housing-allowance/local-housing-allowance-room-rates/>

You may be able to get help from Salford Rental Bond Scheme if you can't afford the upfront rent or deposit. You can find out more at <https://www.salford.gov.uk/safedeposit>

### Getting help from social services

If you've had a full homelessness interview and they have found they do not have a duty to accommodate you then social services may be able to make arrangements to provide you with accommodation. They will need to assess your needs and decide if you need looking after by someone and identify if the care and attention needed is linked to your need for a home.

To contact Salford Adult Social Care and Find out more go to: <http://www.salford.gov.uk/health-and-social-care/contact-adult-social-care/>

### Emergency hostel accommodation

There are various hostels, refuges, day centres and support centres within Salford that may be able to provide emergency or temporary accommodation. Some even provide food and other services. You'll need to ring around and see if there are spaces and whether they are open. Contact the Salford Help through Crisis Team or find a list of local places at <http://www.homeless.org.uk/homeless-england/search-near-me>



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## **Social rented accommodation**

These include properties owned by Salford Council, Housing Association or Trusts. You will first need to register on the Salford Home Search website at <https://www.salfordhomesearch.co.uk/> or by telephoning 0161 909 6514. You will be placed in a band which will then allow you to select properties based on your allocation. To get the property you select, will depend on different criteria such as: your bedroom needs and how long you have been registered and whether anyone else chooses the same property.

## **Supported housing**

Salford's floating support service is one that provides support to you if you are already living somewhere or to people who are looking to move into their own tenancy in the very near future. To see if you qualify and what support is available go to <https://www.salford.gov.uk/housing/housing-advice-and-support/help-for-vulnerable-or-older-people/housing-support-link/>

## **Sheltered Housing**

Sheltered accommodation within Salford is available to anybody over 55 who wants to live in their own accommodation but require benefit from the support offered by an area warden. The schemes are available to rent or buy. Find out more and which landlords offer sheltered accommodation in Salford at <https://www.salford.gov.uk/housing/housing-advice-and-support/help-for-vulnerable-or-older-people/sheltered-housing/>

## **Staying in your present home**

You may be able to stay in your own home and get help with improving your situation. This could include getting help with repairs or home improvements, making adjustments if you're disabled or getting the local authority to deal with anti-social behaviour.

## **Transferring or exchanging your home**

If you are a housing authority or housing association tenant, you can apply to your landlord for a transfer. You will also usually have the right to exchange your home with another housing authority or housing association tenant. In Salford if you are a Social tenant then you can try and seek a mutual exchange by visiting [www.exchangemyhouse.com](http://www.exchangemyhouse.com)



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