

I am a veteran: I am homeless, or I am at risk of becoming homeless – Guidance page

Northern Ireland

If you find yourself legally homeless in Northern Ireland, the Northern Ireland Housing Executive is responsible for providing accommodation. To qualify as legally homeless, you must meet four conditions: eligibility, homelessness, priority need, and intentionality. For further information, visit their website at <https://www.nihe.gov.uk/housing-help/homelessness/are-you-homeless>

If you are at risk of becoming homeless, the Housing Executive has published a leaflet, "Am I at risk of becoming homeless?" offering guidance and advice on health and well-being factors that could lead to homelessness. You can access the leaflet at <https://www.nihe.gov.uk/getattachment/f6a04a17-1270-4d8a-bd5d-c43da1cd7071/Risk-becoming-homeless.pdf>

For housing advice and information, you can visit the Housing Advice NI website, which provides 24/7 access to information, an email advice service, a directory of local advice agencies, and online tools at <https://www.housingrights.org.uk/housing-advice>

In the case of an emergency, if you need a place to stay tonight, call the Housing Executive at 0344 8920 900 (or after hours at 0344 8920 908). Learn more about emergency help options at <https://www.housingrights.org.uk/housing-advice/homelessness/emergency-help>

To reach **the Housing Rights NI housing helpline**, available from 9:30 am to 4:30 pm Monday to Friday excluding bank holidays, call 028 9024 5640. You can find additional contact methods and information on their website: <https://www.housingrights.org.uk/contact-us/get-advice>

For a comprehensive understanding of the housing selection scheme points used in Northern Ireland to determine need, you can access the guide at <https://www.housingrights.org.uk/sites/default/files/documents/advice/points-list.pdf>

If you are unfamiliar with the scheme, seeking advice from a housing professional or appropriate advice service is encouraged.

