Know Your Rights

Protections Against
Discrimination Based on
Religion in Housing

Treating individuals unfairly in housing because of their religion or perceived religious affiliation is a violation of the Fair Housing Act.



Examples Include:

- Harassment due to religious practices or attire.
- Refusal to rent to individuals wearing religious garments, such as hijabs or turbans.
- Derogatory comments or actions targeting someone's faith.
- Prohibiting religious decorations while allowing secular ones.

Recognizing Unlawful Harassment:

- Conduct related to religion that creates a hostile living environment.
- Examples:
 - Landlords or neighbors making offensive remarks about your faith.
 - Being pressured to participate in or abstain from religious activities.

Your Legal Protections:

- The Fair Housing Act prohibits discrimination based on religion.
- This protection extends to all aspects of housing, including renting, selling, and advertising.



The Fair Housing Act makes it unlawful to discriminate in housing based on <u>religion</u>, among other protections.

Steps to Take if You Experience Religious Discrimination:

- Document the Incident: Record dates, times, locations, and descriptions of discriminatory actions and save any related communications or evidence.
- Report the Behavior: File a complaint with the Connecticut Fair Housing Center by calling our intake line at (860) 247-4400

Discrimination based on religion is illegal. You have the right to live free from harassment and bias. Support is available to help you protect your rights.

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Scan to learn more about how the Center may be able to help with housing discrimination.

