



Bedroom Standard

The bedroom standard used by different local authorities and registered providers vary. We use the following bedroom standard to allocate homes. There may be exceptional cases where local authority nominees cannot be re-housed to a suitably sized property due to a significant supply shortage.

Property Type	Number of people per household
Studio or shared flat	1 person household
1 bedroom - 2 person property	1 or 2 person household (single person or couple)
2 bedroom 3 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 1 child
2 bedroom 4 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 1 or 2 children **
3 bedroom 4 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 2 children
3 bedroom 5 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 2 or 3 children **
3 bedroom 6 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 3 or 4 children **
4 bedroom 6 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 3 or 4 children **
4 bedroom 7 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 4 or 5 children **
4 bedroom 8 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 5 or 6 children **
5 bedroom 7 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 4 or 5 children **
5 bedroom 8 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 5 or 6 children **
5 bedroom 9 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 6 or 7 children **
5 bedroom 10 person property	1 or 2 parent families * with 7 or 8 children **

* A single adult tenant (holding a sole tenancy) is counted as 2 persons unless the accommodation is a bed sit for 1 person only.

** The number of children permitted is dependent upon their age and gender.

We consider other criteria and factors when determining the correct property size for a household. These are:

- The tenant or joint tenants are allocated 1 double bedroom (we are not able to make provision for an additional bedroom where joint tenants, or the tenant and their partner have separated but remain living together);
- Same-sex couples are equivalent to opposite-sex couples;
- Two children under 10 years old and either sex are eligible for 1 double bedroom;
- Two children of the same sex are eligible for 1 double bedroom;
- Where there are limited larger homes available, families with three or more children are expected to share bedrooms regardless of gender or age, providing that the number of bedspaces within the property are not exceeded;
- An unborn child of the legal tenant or their resident partner is considered as one person providing that the legal tenant or their resident partner will be the child's legal guardian. A MATB1 Certificate must be provided.



- Non-dependents will be excluded for the purpose of calculating the number of bedrooms that a household requires. Household bedroom requirements will be determined in accordance with MTVH's bedroom standard' unless there is up to date medical evidence supporting the need for additional rooms'