



County of Wellington

Social Services Department – Housing Services

DIRECTIVE

Directive Number: 2025-02

Effective Date: January 1, 2025

This directive has been developed by the County of Wellington in its role as Consolidated Municipal Service Manager (CMSM) and applies to housing providers funded under the following social housing programmes:

- Provincially Reformed Non-Profit Housing Programmes
- Provincially Reformed Co-operative Housing Programmes (Co-ops)
- Local Housing Corporation (LHC)
- Service Manager Funding Agreement (Post EOA and Post EOM)

Subject	Maximum Household Assets
Legislative Reference	Housing Services Act, 2011 (HSA) Ontario Regulation 367/11 s. 32.5
Directive Reference	Repeals and replaces Directive 2013-10 “Maximum Household Assets”
Policy Reference	HS 2024-PA1.1 Maximum Household Assets

Background

The HSA O.Reg. 367/11 S.32.5 permits the CMSM to establish a local rule setting the maximum value of household assets (hereinafter referred to as “Maximum Asset Limit”) for eligibility for rent-geared-to-income (RGI) assistance.

Direction

In considering eligibility for RGI assistance, the value of the assets of the household other than the assets that are excluded under HSA O.Reg 376/11 S.32.5(5) shall not exceed:

- \$50,000 for a single person; and
- \$75,000 for a household of more than one person.

The local eligibility rule does not apply if each member of the household is receiving basic financial assistance under the Ontario Works Act, 1997 or is receiving income support under the Ontario Disability Support Program Act, 1997.

The CMSM may determine that a household that exceeds the Maximum Asset Limit remains eligible for RGI assistance if the CMSM is satisfied that there are extenuating circumstances.

Application

1. All approved RGI applicants on the Centralized Waiting List (CWL) and current households with total assets above the Maximum Asset Limit prior to November 14, 2013 will remain eligible.
2. All approved applicants with assets that increase over the Maximum Asset Limit will no longer be eligible to remain on the CWL.
3. All current households with assets that increase over the Maximum Asset Limit will no longer be eligible for RGI assistance.
4. If a household is no longer eligible for RGI assistance due to an increase in assets over the Maximum Asset Limit, the housing provider must serve the household ninety (90) days written notice of loss of RGI eligibility. The household must be advised of the right to a review of the decision.

If you require additional information, please contact your Housing Programme Advisor.

Originally Signed By

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