

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR FILING EVICTION COMPLAINT

Complete and Post the Notice to Tenant provided in the appropriate packet for Eviction (keep a copy for yourself). After the applicable number of days have passed and the Tenant has not vacated the premises, return all completed forms in the packet to the Civil Department at the Nassau County Clerk's Office.

You will also need the following:

- Filing fee of \$185.00
- Summons Issue fee of \$10.00 per summons, per defendant
- A separate check made out to the Nassau County Sheriff's Office for \$40.00 per defendant to be served
- One (1) addressed envelope per defendant with two (2) stamps on the envelope
- One (1) copy of each document (not including instructions) in the packet

The Clerk's Office will prepare the summons, attach the copies and forward the packet to the Sheriff's Office with the appropriate fee or the Plaintiff may take the packet to the sheriff's office and pay the fee. The Sheriff's Office will serve the defendant(s) (all adults in the house must be served).

The defendant(s) have five (5) working days (not to include weekends or holidays) to respond, file an answer and place the money owed in the Court Registry.

Please contact this office in person or by phone at 904-548-4606 if the eviction has or has not been resolved. If an agreement has not been reached, we will continue on to the next steps.

Contact the Civil Department at 904-548-4606 if you have any question regarding completing these forms.

Eviction/Non-Compliance + Damages with Rental Agreement Checklist 7 Day	
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FORM # 2 AND 2A  
NOTICE FROM LANDLORD TO TENANT NOTICE OF NONCOMPLIANCE  
FOR MATTERS OTHER THAN FAILURE TO PAY RENT  
INSTRUCTIONS

Where there is a rental agreement, a 7 day notice of non-compliance may be given to tenants who have failed to comply with the provisions of the agreement. Tenants will either be given notice with an opportunity to cure or notice with no opportunity to cure, depending on the situation:

**1. Notice With Opportunity to Cure F.S. 83.56(2)(b)**

Situations such as unauthorized pets, guests or vehicles; parking in an unauthorized manner or permitting such parking; or failing to keep premises clean and sanitary would require the Notice With an Opportunity to Cure. The Notice must list each adult occupying the premises along with the correct address of the premises. All reasons for non-compliance MUST be listed and the tenant is given 7 days from the date of the written notice to remedy the non-compliance or the agreement will be terminated. If the agreement is terminated, then the tenant(s) must vacate the premises.

**2. Notice With No Opportunity to Cure F.S. 83.56(2)(a)**

Situations such as destruction, damage, or misuse of the landlord's or other tenants' property by an intentional act or if the non-compliance is a subsequent or continuing non-compliance within 12 months of a written warning by the landlord of a similar violation would require the Notice With No Opportunity to Cure. This Notice must list each adult occupying the premises along with the correct address of the premises. All reasons for non-compliance MUST be listed and the tenant is given 7 days from the delivery of the written notice to vacate the premises.

The delivery of either Notice may be by mailing or delivering a true copy to the dwelling unit, or, if the Tenant is absent from the dwelling unit, by leaving a copy of the notice at the dwelling unit.

This written notice must be delivered, and the 7 day time period must run prior to any termination of the rental agreement or any lawsuit for eviction.

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**NOTICE FROM LANDLORD TO TENANT- NOTICE OF  
NONCOMPLIANCE FOR MATTERS OTHER THAN FAILURE TO PAY RENT  
WITH OPPORTUNITY TO CURE**

TO:	
	TENANT'S NAME
	ADDRESS
	CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE
FROM:	
DATE:	

You are hereby notified that you are not complying with your rental agreement in that \_\_\_\_\_ [insert noncompliance, default or violation]. Demand is hereby made that you remedy the noncompliance, default or violation within seven days of receipt of this notice or your rental agreement shall be deemed terminated and you shall vacate the premises upon such termination. If this same conduct or conduct of a similar nature is repeated within twelve months, your tenancy is subject to termination without your being given an opportunity to cure the noncompliance, default or violation.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Landlord's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address, Unit Number \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Approved for use under rule 10-2.1(a) of the Rules  
Regulating the Florida Bar

This form was completed with the assistance of:  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOTICE FROM LANDLORD TO TENANT – NOTICE OF  
NONCOMPLIANCE FOR MATTERS OTHER THAN FAILURE TO PAY RENT  
WITH NO OPPORTUNITY TO CURE**

TO:	
	TENANT'S NAME
	ADDRESS
	CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE
FROM:	
DATE:	

**You are hereby notified that you are not complying with your lease in that**

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You are hereby advised that your lease is terminated effective immediately. You have seven (7) days from the delivery of this letter to vacate the premises. This action is taken because of the non-compliance listed above.

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Landlord/Agent's Signature

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Landlord/Agent's Name

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Landlord/Agent's address

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City, State, Zip

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Phone Number

Served this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_ Personal delivery  
\_\_\_\_\_ Posting a copy at residence in absence of tenant

## FORM 6A

### COMPLAINT FOR LANDLORD TO EVICT TENANTS FOR FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH RENTAL AGREEMENT (OTHER THAN TO PAY RENT) AND TO RECOVER PAST DUE RENT

#### INSTRUCTIONS

Form 6A should be used for eviction of Tenants if the Tenant's default is something other than failure to pay rent and damages are sought.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT, IN AND FOR  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Landlord]  
Plaintiff,

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
[insert case number assigned by Clerk Court]

Vs.

**COMPLAINT FOR EVICTION AND DAMAGES**

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Tenant]  
Defendant.

**COUNT 1  
Tenant Eviction**

Plaintiff, \_\_\_\_\_ [insert name of Landlord], sue Defendant,  
\_\_\_\_\_ [insert name of Tenant] and alleges:

1. This is an action to evict a Tenant from real property in Nassau County, Florida.
2. Plaintiff owns the following described real property in the County: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ [insert legal or street description of the property including, if applicable, unit number].
3. Defendant has possession of the property under a (oral/written) agreement. A copy of the written agreement, if any, is attached as Exhibit "A."
4. Plaintiff served Defendant with a notice on \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ [insert date of notice] giving written notice to the Defendant that the Defendant was in violation of its rental agreement. A copy of the notice, setting forth the violation of the rental agreement, is attached as Exhibit "B".
5. Defendant has failed to correct or discontinue the conduct set forth in the above-mentioned notice.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment for possession of the property against Defendant.

**COUNT II  
Damages**

6. This is an action for damages that do not exceed \$15,000.
7. Plaintiff restates those allegations contained in paragraphs 1 through 5 above.
8. Defendant owes Plaintiff \$ \_\_\_\_\_ that is due with interest [insert past due rent amount] since \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_ [insert date of last rental payment Tenant failed to make].
9. Defendant owes damages in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff demands judgment for damages against Defendant.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Landlord's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address, Unit Number \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

FORM 77/79/80

MOTION FOR CLERK'S DEFAULT – DAMAGES  
(RESIDENTIAL EVICTION)  
MOTION FOR CLERK'S DEFAULT – DAMAGES (RESIDENTIAL EVICTION)  
AFFIDAVIT OF DAMAGES

The Tenant will have five days, after service, to file a written response to a Complaint for eviction, and 20 days, after service, to file a written response to a complaint for back rent and damages. If the Tenant fails to file a written response in that time the Landlord is entitled to a judgment by default.

Obtaining the judgment is a two-step process. First, a Clerk's default should be obtained by delivering to the Clerk of the Court an executed Motion-for Clerk's Default. Form 76 should be used to obtain a Clerk's default when the Tenant has failed to respond to an eviction complaint and Form 77 should be used to obtain a Clerk's default when the Tenant has failed to respond to a complaint for back rent and damages. In order to be entitled to a default, Form 81, Nonmilitary Affidavit, must be filed with the Clerk.

Second, based on the Clerk's default, a default final judgment should be obtained from the judge handling the case. The default final judgment is obtained by delivering to the Court a Motion for Default Final Judgment-Residential Eviction (Form 78) and/or a Motion for default Final judgment – Damages (Residential Eviction) (Form 79) with an Affidavit of Damages (Form 80). If the Landlord is seeking a Default Final judgment – Damages (Residential Eviction), a copy of the motion and affidavit must be served on the Defendant. The forms provide a certificate of service to be completed establishing proper service of the motion and affidavit.

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IN THE COUNTY COURT, IN AND FOR  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Landlord]

Plaintiff,

vs.

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Tenant]

Defendant.

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

[insert case number assigned  
by Clerk of the Court]

**MOTION FOR CLERK'S DEFAULT –  
DAMAGES (RESIDENTIAL EVICTION)**

Plaintiff asks the Clerk to enter a default against \_\_\_\_\_  
[name], Defendant, for failing to respond as required by law to Plaintiff's Complaint for  
damages.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

**DEFAULT – DAMAGES**

A default is entered in this action against the Defendant for damages for failure to  
respond as required by law.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

John A. Crawford  
CLERK OF THE COURT

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Cc: \_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Landlord]

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name and address of Tenant]

IN THE COUNTY COURT, IN AND FOR  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Landlord]

Plaintiff,

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

[insert case number assigned  
by Clerk of the Court]

vs.

**MOTION FOR CLERK'S FINAL JUDGMENT  
DAMAGES (RESIDENTIAL EVICTION)**

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Tenant]

Defendant.

Plaintiff asks the Clerk to enter a default against \_\_\_\_\_  
[name], Defendant, for failing to respond as required by law to Plaintiff's Complaint for  
damages.

1. Plaintiff filed a Complaint for damages against the Defendant.
2. Defendant has failed to timely file an answer and a Default has been entered by the Clerk of this Court on \_\_\_\_\_ [date].
3. In support of this Motion, Plaintiff submits the attached Affidavit of Damages.

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff asks this Court to enter a Final judgment against Defendant.

I CERTIFY that I \_\_\_\_\_ mailed, \_\_\_\_\_ faxed and mailed, or \_\_\_\_\_ hand delivered a copy of this motion and attached affidavit to the Defendant at \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ [insert address at which Tenant was served and fax number if sent by fax].

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

**IN THE COUNTY COURT, IN AND FOR  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA**

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of landlord]  
Plaintiff

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_  
[insert case number assigned by Clerk of court]

Vs.

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Tenant]  
Defendant

**AFFIDAVIT OF DAMAGES**

STATE OF FLORIDA  
COUNTY OF NASSAU

BEFORE ME, the undersigned authority, personally appeared \_\_\_\_\_  
[name] who being first duly sworn, states as follows:

1. I am \_\_\_ the Plaintiff or \_\_\_ the Plaintiff's agent (check appropriate response) in this case and am authorized to make this affidavit.
2. This affidavit is based on my own personal knowledge.
3. Defendant has possession of the property which is the subject of this eviction under an agreement to pay rent of \$ \_\_\_\_\_ [rental amount] per \_\_\_\_\_ [week, month, or other payment period].
4. Defendant has not paid the rent due since \_\_\_\_\_ [date of payment Tenant has failed to make].
5. Defendant owes Plaintiff \$ \_\_\_\_\_ [past due rent amount] as alleged in the Complaint plus interest.
6. Defendant owes Plaintiff \$ \_\_\_\_\_ [amount of other damages] as alleged in the Complaint plus interest.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn and subscribed before me on \_\_\_\_\_ [date], by \_\_\_\_\_ (name),  
who \_\_\_\_\_ is personally known to me/ \_\_\_\_\_ produced \_\_\_\_\_ [document] as  
identification and who took an oath.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF FLORIDA

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Commission No. \_\_\_\_\_  
My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

I CERTIFY that I \_\_\_\_\_ mailed, \_\_\_\_\_ faxed and mailed, or \_\_\_\_\_ hand delivered a copy of this motion  
and attached affidavit to the Defendant at \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ [insert address at  
which Tenant was served and fax number if sent by fax].

## FORM 76/78

### MOTION FOR CLERK'S DEFAULT – RESIDENTIAL EVICTION MOTION FOR DEFAULT FINAL JUDGMENT – RESIDENTIAL EVICTION

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NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Landlord]

Plaintiff,

vs.

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Tenant]

Defendant.

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

[insert case number assigned  
by Clerk of the Court]

**MOTION FOR CLERK'S DEFAULT –  
RESIDENTIAL EVICTION**

Plaintiff asks the Clerk to enter a default against \_\_\_\_\_  
[name], Defendant, for failing to respond as required by law to Plaintiff's Complaint for  
damages.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

**DEFAULT – RESIDENTIAL EVICTION**

A default is entered in this action against the Defendant for damages for failure to  
respond as required by law.

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

John A. Crawford  
CLERK OF THE COURT

By: \_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk

Cc: \_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Landlord]

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name and address of Tenant]

IN THE COUNTY COURT, IN AND FOR  
NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Landlord]

Plaintiff,

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

[insert case number assigned  
by Clerk of the Court]

vs.

**MOTION FOR DEFAULT FINAL-  
JUDGMENT - RESIDENTIAL EVICTION**

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Tenant]

Defendant.

Plaintiff asks the Clerk to enter a default against \_\_\_\_\_  
[name], Defendant, for failing to respond as required by law to Plaintiff's Complaint for  
damages.

1. Plaintiff filed a Complaint alleging grounds for residential eviction of  
Defendant.
2. A Default was entered by the Clerk of this Court on \_\_\_\_\_[date].

WHEREFORE, Plaintiff asks this Court to enter a Final judgment For  
Residential Eviction against Defendant.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No.: \_\_\_\_\_

Cc: \_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name and address of Tenant]

## FORM 81

### NON MILITARY AFFIDAVIT

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NASSAU COUNTY, FLORIDA

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Landlord]

CASE NO. \_\_\_\_\_

Plaintiff,

Vs.

**NONMILITARY AFFIDAVIT**

\_\_\_\_\_  
[insert name of Tenant]

Defendant.

On this day personally appeared before me, the undersigned authority,  
\_\_\_\_\_, who, after being first duly sworn, says:

Defendant, \_\_\_\_\_, is known by Affiant not to be  
in the military services or any governmental agency or branch subject to the provision of  
the Soldiers' Civil Relief Act.

DATED: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Affiant

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_  
Telephone No. \_\_\_\_\_

Sworn and subscribed before me on \_\_\_\_\_ [date], by  
\_\_\_\_\_ [name], who \_\_\_\_\_ is personally known to me \_\_\_\_\_  
produced \_\_\_\_\_ [document] as identification and who took an oath.

\_\_\_\_\_  
NOTARY PUBLIC-STATE OF FLORIDA

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Commission No. \_\_\_\_\_

My Commission Expires: \_\_\_\_\_

I CERTIFY that I \_\_\_\_\_ mailed, \_\_\_\_\_ faxed and mailed, or \_\_\_\_\_ hand delivered a  
copy of this motion and attached affidavit to the Defendant at \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_ [insert address at which  
Tenant was served and fax number if sent by fax].

\_\_\_\_\_  
Deputy Clerk