



You Got Approved... But the Apartment Isn't Yours Yet

 ***Congrats! You got approved for the apartment. But hold up — don't start packing just yet.***

There's a big difference between being approved and actually securing the unit. And not knowing the difference could cost you your next home.

What "Approved" Actually Means:

Your application was accepted after screening.

You met the income, credit, background, and rental history requirements.

You're now eligible to rent the unit...👉 But you haven't actually locked it in.

What Secures the Apartment?

Only a fully signed lease (sometimes with a holding deposit) takes the unit off the market.

Until that happens:

- The property is still considered available.
- The landlord or property manager can continue showing it.
- Another approved renter could sign the lease before you do.

Real Talk: This Has Happened Before...

An anonymous renter(...or renters as this happened more than once) got approved, then ghosted the leasing agent.

Days passed — no lease, no deposit, no response.

The unit was re-leased to someone else.

The original applicant showed up on move-in day... suitcase in hand... to a unit that was already occupied. 😞

Moral of the story: Approval isn't ownership.

Protect Yourself — Do This ASAP:

-  Stay in touch with your leasing agent
-  Review and sign the lease promptly
-  Pay any required holding or security deposit
-  Confirm move-in details in writing

💡 ***Let's Make Common Sense... Common. Approval is step one. The signed lease is the finish line.***

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