

Port-Out FAQ

Q. I want to port out of Vermont? What am I looking for?

A. VSHA Section 8 Voucher holders (Mainstream, Housing Choice Voucher, FUP) may port their vouchers if determined eligible AND if the receiving housing authority is absorbing vouchers or have voucher payment standards equal to or less than Vermont State Housing Authority's. Please see below for voucher payment standards.

0 Bedroom	1 Bedroom	2 Bedroom	3 Bedroom	4 Bedroom
\$1,280	\$1,476	\$1,936	\$2,491	\$2,567

Q: What is VSHA's Administrative Fee for billed ports?

A: VSHA's Administrative Fee is \$79.73 (02.01.2026)

Q: How much time do I have to find a unit? Voucher extension request?

A: VSHA will issue your family a 120-day voucher to port, then you'll follow policies and procedures of the Receiving Housing Authority.

Q: What is the rent amount I should be looking for?

A: The Units that are affordable when the total gross rent (what the landlord is asking and the total of all utilities you would be paying for) is at or below the voucher payment standard provided by the receiving housing authority.

Q: Can I move into the unit before the paperwork has been processed?

A: VSHA will not advise nor suggest for you to do so. It must first be determined you are eligible for the unit, the unit must pass a Housing Quality Standards (HQS) Inspection, and the rent must be determined that it is a reasonable rent amount prior to your moving in to the unit.