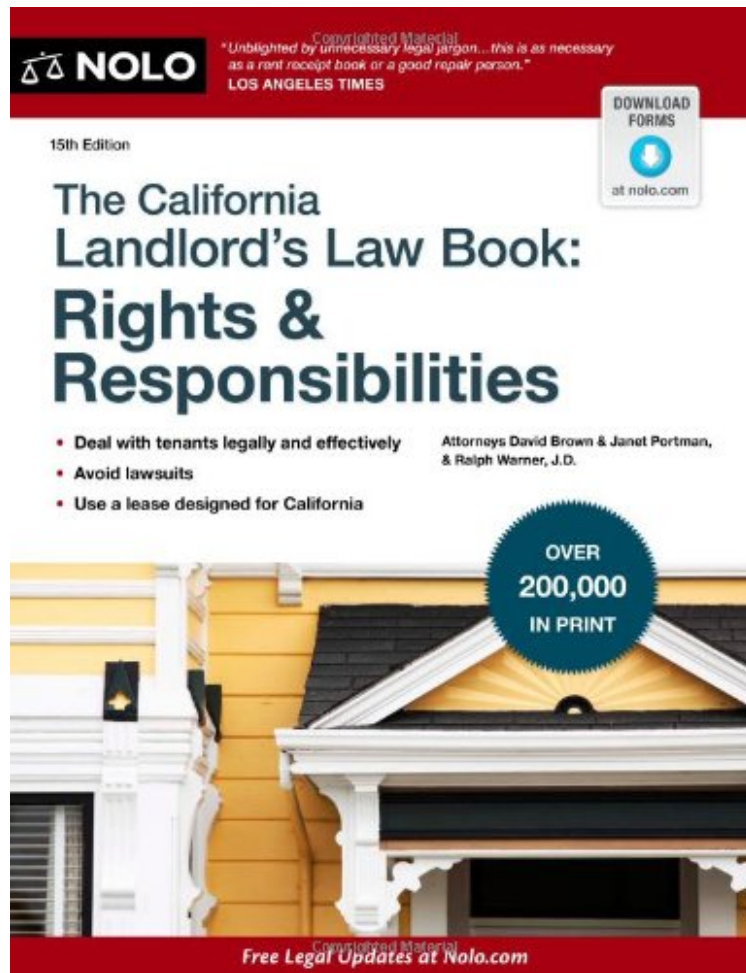


# The California Landlord's Law Book: Rights Responsibilities

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Every California landlord and residential property manager needs *The California Landlord's Law Book: Rights and Responsibilities*. For over 20 years, the definitive guide for landlords in the Golden State has clearly and comprehensively covered everything you need to know about: security deposits. leases and rental agreements. inspections. habitability. liability. lead paint. discrimination. rent control. satellite dishes. and much more. This edition includes fully up-to-date landlord-tenant laws and legal forms, including new details on how to terminate a lease when you become the owner or a foreclosed-upon home, and a plain English explanation of the new utility shutoff law. Plus, you'll get over 25 legal forms and agreements, including rental applications; leases and rental agreements; 3-, 30-, 60- and 90-day eviction notices -- and much more. Check out Nolo's list of California products. Not a California landlord? Check out *Every Landlord's Legal Guide*. -- Download forms for book at [nolo.com](http://nolo.com)

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