

Commercial Leasing Checklist



Are you looking at leasing a business premises but don't know where to start? For a lot of businesses the leasing obligation is quite possibly the largest investment that you will make.

This checklist sets out some of the important aspects that you need to consider when leasing a premises and distils it from a complicated subject into an easy to understand checklist of things to consider:

Checklist	Notes
Have I read through the agreement for lease/heads of agreement?	
Do I have any questions for my lawyer or the agent?	
Is a deposit required?	
Is a bond or bank guarantee required?	
Are the premises Retail Shop or Commercial/Industrial	
What incentive can I get? i.e. rent free period vs fit out incentive	
What is the length of the lease?	
What searches do I need to undertake on the premises and landlord?	
What is the rent and annual review process?	
Can I assign the lease or sublet the lease?	
What insurances do I need?	
Is car parking included?	
What happens at the end of the lease?	
Who is responsible for repairs?	
What are the terms of default?	
What do I have to do to make alterations to the premises?	

When you are satisfied with the above contact your lawyer to make sure that the lease sets out all of this information properly $\hfill \square$

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