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Dear Mr Mills

Thank you for your email of 31 January 2015 to Housing New Zealand, requesting the following information under the Official Information Act 1982:

*"I would like to know if you have a policy in regards to placing single applicants who qualify in shared accommodation in larger housing NZ houses."*

Housing New Zealand does not have a policy that allows for placing applicants in shared accommodation. Housing New Zealand's larger houses are in high demand and are needed for larger families.

However, Housing New Zealand tenants are permitted to have boarders, provided they are declared and the property is not overcrowded. Tenants must gain Housing New Zealand permission before any boarders can move in.

I trust this information is useful to you.

Yours sincerely



**Rachel Kelly**  
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