

(2) "GROSS INCOME" MEANS TOTAL INCOME FROM ALL SOURCES, WHETHER OR NOT INCLUDED IN THE DEFINITIONS OF GROSS INCOME FOR FEDERAL OR STATE TAX PURPOSES, INCLUDING BUT NOT LIMITED TO BENEFITS UNDER THE SOCIAL SECURITY ACT OR RAILROAD RETIREMENT ACT AS THESE ACTS MAY BE AMENDED FROM TIME TO TIME, GIFTS IN EXCESS OF \$300, ALIMONY, SUPPORT MONEY, NONTAXABLE STRIKE BENEFITS, PUBLIC ASSISTANCE RECEIVED IN CASH GRANTS, PENSIONS OR ANNUITIES, UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE BENEFITS, AND WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BENEFITS. GROSS INCOME SHALL INCLUDE THE NET INCOME RECEIVED FROM BUSINESS, RENTAL, OR OTHER ENDEAVORS BUT IN NO EVENT SHALL A LOSS FROM BUSINESS, RENTAL OR OTHER ENDEAVORS BE USED IN THE DETERMINATION OF GROSS INCOME. [[GROSS INCOME SHALL NOT INCLUDE LONG TERM CAPITAL GAINS AND/OR LONG AND SHORT TERM CAPITAL LOSSES AS THESE TERMS ARE DEFINED FOR FEDERAL INCOME TAX PURPOSES.]]

(3) "COMBINED INCOME" MEANS THE COMBINED GROSS INCOME OF ALL RENTERS, IF MORE THAN ONE, AND ALL PERSONS ACTUALLY RESIDING IN THE SAME RENTAL UNIT, EXCEPT PERSONS WHOSE CONTRIBUTIONS, REASONABLY APPORTIONABLE TOWARD THE COST OF UPKEEP, MAINTENANCE, AND REPAIR OF THE DWELLING, ARE IN THE FORM OF FIXED RENTAL CHARGES.

(4) "RENTAL UNIT" MEANS THE UNIT IN WHICH THE RENTER RESIDES AND IN WHICH HE HAS A LEASEHOLD INTEREST AND MAY BE PART OF A MULTI-DWELLING OR MULTI-PURPOSE BUILDING AND PART OF THE LAND ON WHICH IT IS BUILT AND WHICH IS USED AS THE PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE OF THE RENTER OR RENTERS. A UNIT MAY ALSO BE A DWELLING AS DEFINED IN SUBSECTION (B) (4) OF SECTION 12F-1 OF THIS ARTICLE IN WHICH THE RENTER HAS A LEASEHOLD INTEREST. NO RENTAL UNIT MAY BE DEEMED A PRINCIPAL RESIDENCE WHICH IS NOT ACTUALLY OCCUPIED OR EXPECTED TO BE ACTUALLY OCCUPIED BY THE RENTER OR RENTERS FOR MORE THAN SIX MONTHS OF SOME 12 MONTH PERIOD, INCLUDING THE DATE OF APPLICATION FOR RELIEF. A RENTER, OTHERWISE ELIGIBLE, MAY QUALIFY FOR THE RELIEF IF HE DOES NOT ACTUALLY RESIDE IN THE RENTAL UNIT THE REQUIRED TIME PERIOD BECAUSE OF ILLNESS OR NEED OF SPECIAL CARE. A RENTER OR RENTERS MAY CLAIM CREDIT IN ONLY ONE RENTAL UNIT.

(5) "AMOUNT EQUIVALENT TO TOTAL REAL PROPERTY TAXES" MEANS THE PROPORTIONATE AMOUNT OF TOTAL REAL PROPERTY TAXES LEVIED BY THE STATE, COUNTY OR BALTIMORE CITY, MUNICIPALITY AND SPECIAL TAXING DISTRICT WHICH ARE APPLICABLE TO THE RENTAL UNIT IN RELATION TO TOTAL RENTAL UNITS, BUT IN NO EVENT SHALL THE AMOUNT BE GREATER THAN TWELVE PERCENT OF THE GROSS RENT PAID FOR THE RENTAL UNIT.

(6) "GROSS RENT" MEANS RENTAL PAID SOLELY FOR THE RIGHT OF OCCUPANCY (AT ARMS-LENGTH) OF A RENTAL