available for examination on request by any tenant or his agent to the extent that the records relate to a dwelling unit occupied or formerly occupied by the tenant, by any prospective tenant to the extent that the records relate to a dwelling unit which the prospective tenant has inspected and is considering leasing, and by a representative of the Office of Landlord-Tenant Affairs. Examination shall be at a mutually agreeable time and place, but, in any event, examination shall be at a place reasonable convenient to the tenant, his agent, or a prospective tenant. All of the records shall be retained for a period of three (3) years.

29-69. Regulations.

The Commission, with the advice of the Executive Director, may develop regulations implementing this system of rent control as are not inconsistent with this Chapter and are necessary for its implementation. The Commission shall hold a public hearing upon proposed regulations after reasonable notice to the public. All regulations shall become effective only after adoption with or without modification by the County Council after recommendations, if any, of the County Executive. The County Council may adopt, on its initiative, regulations implementing a system of rent control, after public hearing by it and after recommendations, if any, of the County Executive, the Commission or the Executive Director.

29-70. Investigations.

The Executive Director shall have the power to make studies and gather information concerning the supply and quality of housing of all types, and regarding the level of and changes in rents and prices of consumer commodities, and shall report to the Commission. He shall also assist the Commission in fulfilling its duties under Section 29-9(d) of this Chapter by studying Federal rent stabilization regulations, rent increases, and rent inequities which may exist in Montgomery County.

29-71. Deputy Executive Director; rent control administration

The duties and hearing responsibilities of the Executive Director under this Article may be delegated to and carried out by a Deputy Executive Director.

29-72. Timely mailing treated as timely filing.

a. For the purposes of notice requirements under this Article, the day after the postmark date is considered the date of delivery in cases where the notice