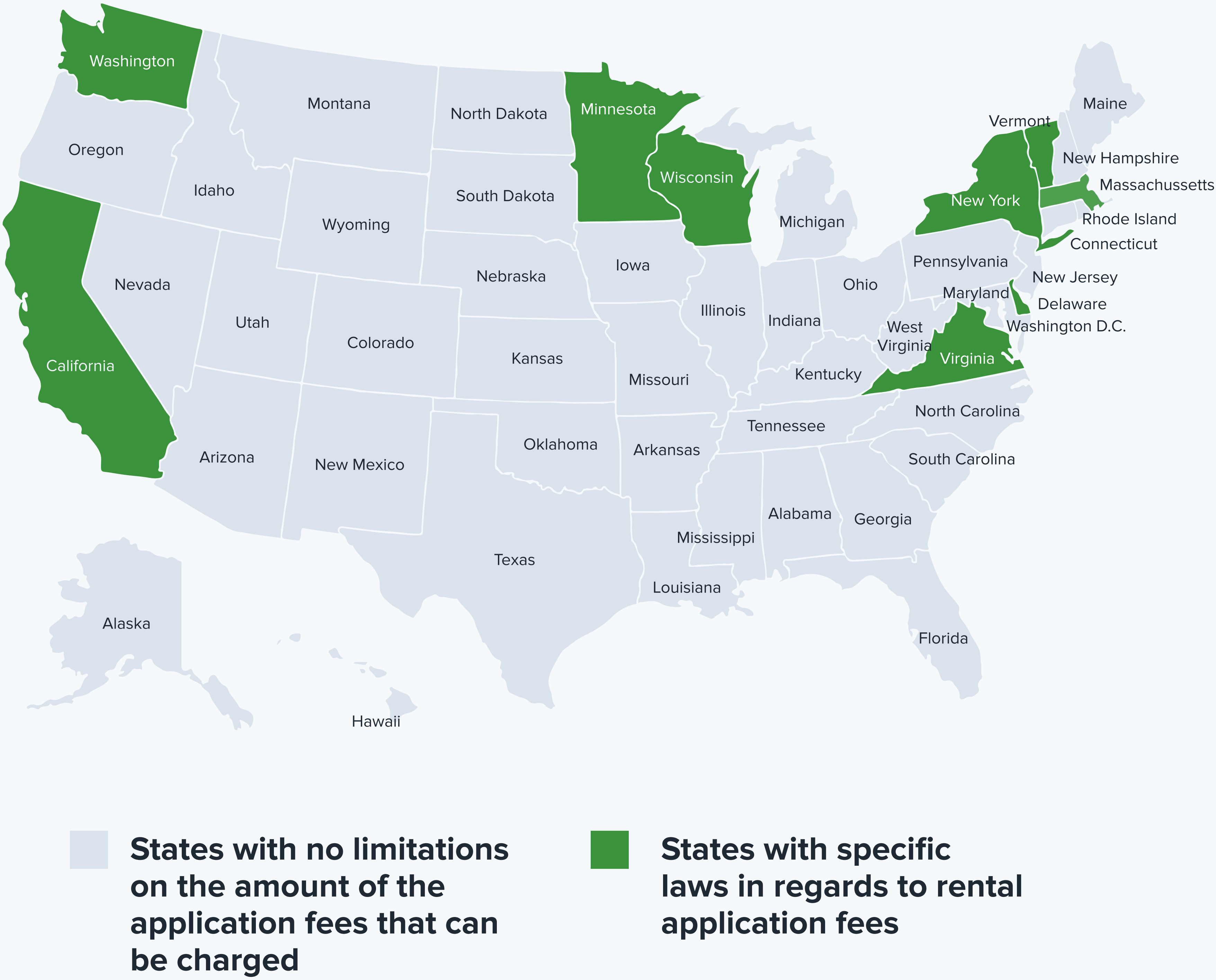


STATE-BY-STATE GUIDE ON APPLICATION FEES

Application fees are the costs associated with submitting a rental application. While application fees are usually **non-refundable** and vary **between \$20 to \$100**, there are some regulations that apply to different states that a landlord should know about and adhere to.

The laws and limitations on how much a landlord can charge for an application fee:



The list of states with specific laws and limitations in regards to rental application fees:

California - according to the Consumer Price Index, a maximum rental application fee is **\$52.46** per applicant. It’s also obligatory to provide a copy of the screening report.

Delaware - the fee **can’t be greater than 10% of the monthly rent or \$50** (depending on which is greater).

Massachusetts - landlords aren’t allowed to charge a rental application fee.

Minnesota - the fee must not exceed the cost of the tenant screening.

New York - the fee **can’t be more than \$20 per applicant** and it must be waived if the applicant sends their own screening report (background check or credit check) conducted within the last 30 days.

Vermont - rental application fees aren’t allowed in the state.

Virginia - the fee **must not exceed \$50**.

Washington - the fee must not exceed the cost of the tenant screening.

Wisconsin - the fee **can’t be more than \$20 per applicant;** and a copy of the screening report must be provided to the tenant by the landlord.