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# UNITED STATES SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION

**WASHINGTON, DC 20549** 

### FORM 8-A

# FOR REGISTRATION OF CERTAIN CLASSES OF SECURITIES PURSUANT TO SECTION 12(b) OR 12(g) OF THE SECURITIES EXCHANGE ACT OF 1934

## **American Homes 4 Rent**

(Exact name of registrant as specified in its charter)

Maryland (State of incorporation or organization)

46-1229660 (I.R.S. Employer Identification No.)

30601 West Agoura Road

91301

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Suite 200

Agoura Hills, California (Address of principal executive offices) (Zip Code) Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Act:

Title of each class

Name of each exchange on which

to be so registered Class A common shares of beneficial interest,

each class is to be registered New York Stock Exchange, Inc.

\$0.01 par value per share

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(b) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(c), check the following box. x

If this form relates to the registration of a class of securities pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Exchange Act and is effective pursuant to General Instruction A.(d), check the following box.

Securities Act registration statement file number to which this form relates: 333-189103

Securities to be registered pursuant to Section 12(g) of the Act: None.

#### Item 1. Description of Registrant s Securities to be Registered.

The description of the Class A common shares of beneficial interest, par value \$0.01 per share (the Common Shares), of American Homes 4 Rent (the Company), included under the heading Description of Equity Shares in the prospectus forming part of the Company s Registration Statement on Form S-11 (File No. 333-189103), initially filed with the Securities and Exchange Commission (the Commission) on June 4, 2013, as amended (the Registration Statement), is incorporated herein by reference. The prospectus to be filed with the Commission pursuant to Rule 424(b) under the Securities Act of 1933, as amended, relating to the Registration Statement, shall be deemed to be incorporated herein by reference. In addition, information relating to the Company s Common Shares under the heading Material Provisions of Maryland Law and of Our Declaration of Trust and Bylaws in the Registration Statement shall be deemed incorporated herein by reference.

#### Item 2. Exhibits.

Not applicable.

#### **SIGNATURES**

Pursuant to the requirements of Section 12 of the Securities Exchange Act of 1934, the registrant has duly caused this registration statement to be signed on its behalf by the undersigned, thereto duly authorized.

Date: July 19, 2013 AMERICAN HOMES 4 RENT

By: /s/ Sara Vogt-Lowell Sara Vogt-Lowell Senior Vice President and

Chief Legal Officer