



# NY Rising Housing Recovery Program

## Housing Quality Standards

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All properties receiving funding under the NY Rising Rental Properties Program must demonstrate substantial compliance with Housing Quality Standards (HQS). **Please note that HQS applies to the entire storm-damaged unit, including areas of the unit that were not damaged by the storm.**

For applicants receiving a repair award, substantial compliance with HQS will be verified at closeout, either through the requirement to obtain a Certificate of Occupancy (COO) or through a code inspection, conducted at the same time as the Program's final inspection. For applicants only receiving reimbursement funds for work completed prior to the Program's damage assessment, the applicant will be required to certify that the property is in compliance with HQS.

The following HQS checklist details exactly what items are included under HQS.

### HOUSING QUALITY STANDARDS CHECKLIST

- 1 LIVING ROOM
  - 1.1 Living Room Present
  - 1.2 Electricity
  - 1.3 Electrical Hazards
  - 1.4 Security
  - 1.5 Window Condition
  - 1.6 Ceiling Condition
  - 1.7 Wall Condition
  - 1.8 Floor Condition
  - 1.9 Lead-Based Paint
    - Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?
    - If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?
  
- 2 KITCHEN
  - 2.1 Kitchen Area Present
  - 2.2 Electricity
  - 2.3 Electrical Hazards
  - 2.4 Security
  - 2.5 Window Condition



- 2.6 Ceiling Condition
- 2.7 Wall Condition
- 2.8 Floor Condition
- 2.9 Lead-Based Paint
  - Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?
  - If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?
- 2.10 Stove or Range with Oven
- 2.11 Refrigerator
- 2.12 Sink
- 2.13 Space for Storage, Preparation, and Serving of Food

### 3 BATHROOM

- 3.1 Bathroom Present
- 3.2 Electricity
- 3.3 Electrical Hazards
- 3.4 Security
- 3.5 Window Condition
- 3.6 Ceiling Condition
- 3.7 Wall Condition
- 3.8 Floor Condition
- 3.9 Lead-Based Paint
  - Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?
  - If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?
- 3.10 Flush Toilet in Enclosed Room in Unit
- 3.11 Fixed Wash Basin or Lavatory in Unit
- 3.12 Tub or Shower in Unit
- 3.13 Ventilation

### 4 OTHER ROOMS USED FOR LIVING AND HALLS

- 4.2 Electricity/Illumination
- 4.3 Electrical Hazards
- 4.4 Security
- 4.5 Window Condition
- 4.6 Ceiling Condition
- 4.7 Wall Condition
- 4.8 Floor Condition
- 4.9 Lead-Based Paint
  - Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?



- If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?

- 4.10 Smoke Detectors
  
- 5 ALL SECONDARY ROOMS (Rooms not used for living)
  - 5.1 Security
  - 5.2 Electrical Hazards
  - 5.3 Other Potentially Hazardous Features in these Rooms
  
- 6 BUILDING EXTERIOR
  - 6.1 Condition of Foundation
  - 6.2 Condition of Stairs, Rails and Porches
  - 6.3 Condition of Roof/Gutters
  - 6.4 Condition of Exterior Surfaces
  - 6.5 Condition of Chimney
  - 6.6 Lead Paint on Exterior Surfaces
    - Are all painted Surfaces free of deteriorated paint?
    - If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed 20 square feet of total exterior surface area?
  - 6.7 Manufactured Homes: Tie Downs
  
- 7 HEATING AND PLUMBING
  - 7.1 Adequacy of Heating Equipment
  - 7.2 Safety of Heating Equipment
  - 7.3 Ventilation/Cooling
  - 7.4 Water Heater
  - 7.5 Approvable Water Supply
  - 7.6 Plumbing
  - 7.7 Sewer Connection
  
- 8 GENERAL HEALTH AND SAFETY
  - 8.1 Access to Unit
  - 8.2 Fire Exits
  - 8.3 Evidence of Infestation
  - 8.4 Garbage and Debris
  - 8.5 Refuse Disposal
  - 8.6 Interior Stairs and Common Halls
  - 8.7 Other Interior Hazards
  - 8.8 Elevators
  - 8.9 Interior Air Quality
  - 8.10 Site and Neighborhood Conditions
  - 8.11 Lead-Based Paint: Owner's Certification