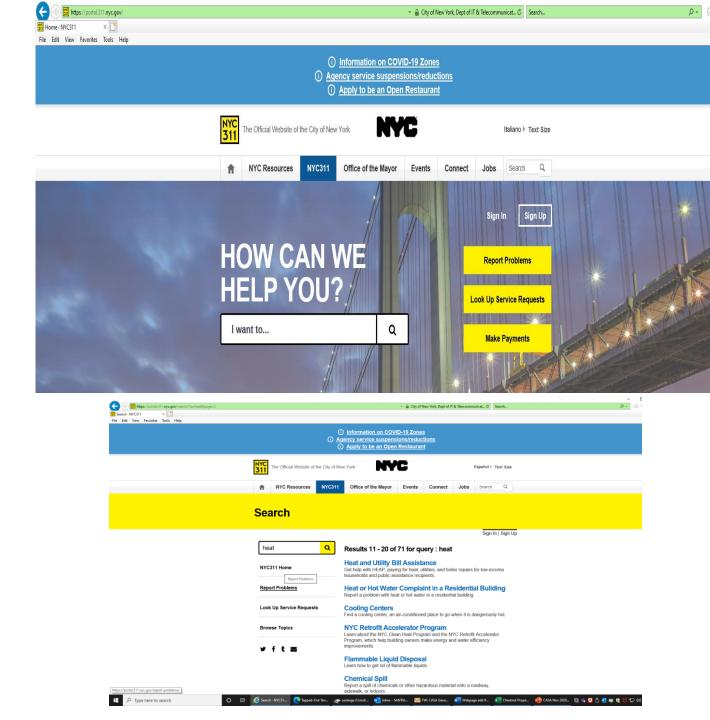




## Complaints

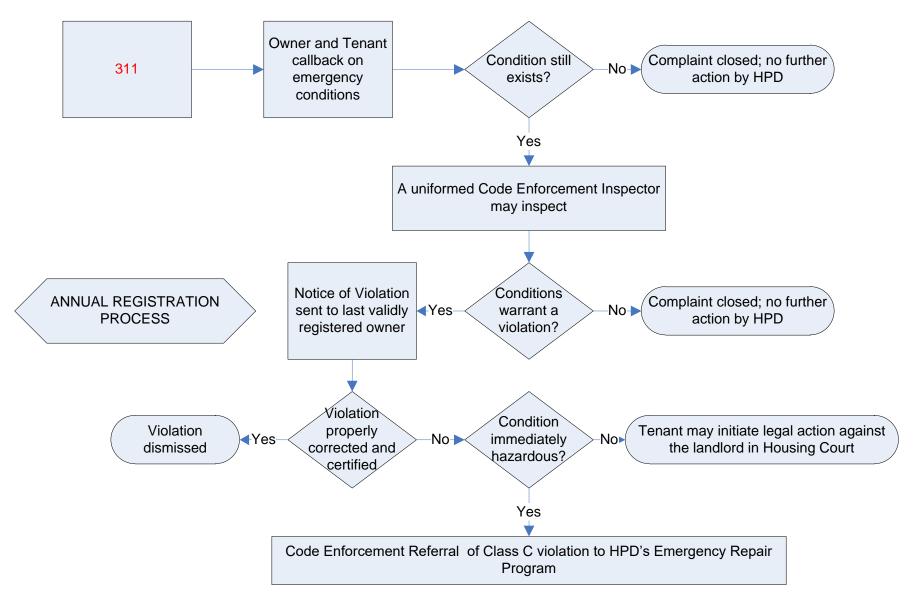
# How can I file a complaint with HPD?

- 311 (telephone)
- 311MOBILE portal.311.nyc.gov
- 3110NLINE <a href="https://portal.311.nyc.gov/">https://portal.311.nyc.gov/</a>
- Housing Court





## HPD's Enforcement Process: An Overview





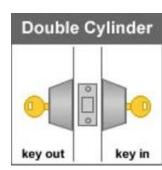
## Inspections

Inspectors perform a visual check of the building's façade for defects, all building areas in their line of travel, and the following 10 items in the complainant's apartment:

- Smoke Detector (Class B violation)
- Carbon Monoxide Detector (Class B violation)
- Fire Safety Notice posted (notification to owner and FDNY)
- Double Cylinder locks (Class C violation)
- Illegal bars/gates at egress window (Class B violation)
- Mold (Class A, B or C violation if C, will be emergency repair)
- Mice and/or Roaches (Class C)

Always emergency repair:

- Self-closing doors (C)
- Window Guards (only if child under the age of eleven is a resident.) (C)
- Lead-based Paint (only if child under six is a resident.) (C)





## Heat and Hot Water



#### **REQUIREMENTS**

October 1<sup>st</sup> though May 31<sup>st</sup>.

- DAYS (6 AM TO 10 PM)
   If temperature outside is below 55° F, it must be 68° F or above inside
- NIGHTS (10 PM to 6 AM) it must be 62° F or above inside regardless of the outside temperature

Hot water is required to be maintained at a minimum of 120 degrees.



#### **VIOLATIONS**

- Notice of Violation posted on the building the day the violation is issued
- HPD seeks civil penalties in Housing Court on buildings which receive repeated heat and hot water violations.
- Inspection fee: Multiple inspections resulting in violations leads to automatically assessed inspection fees



## **Violations**

**Violation** – A citation issued for failure to comply with the law. Violations are the responsibility of the property owner of the building.

If HPD inspectors issue violations, the time the owner is given to correct them depends on

the violation

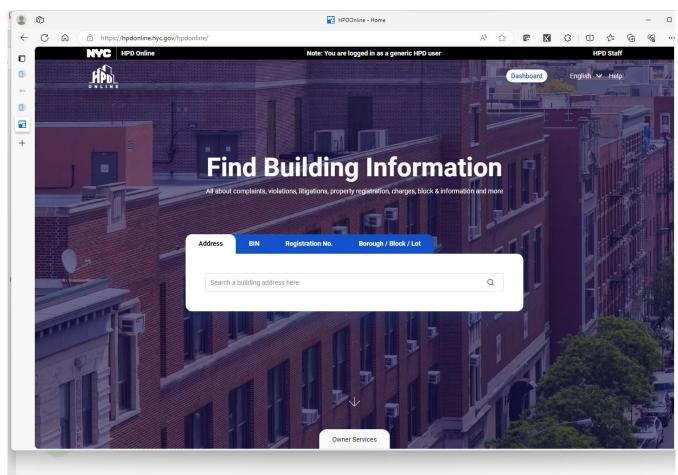
severity. HPD issues three classes of

A: non-hazardous

• B: hazardous

• C: immediately hazardous

TIP: To view a complete list of violations and information on when the violations should be corrected by, visit HPDONLINE at www.nyc.gov/hpd.





## **HPD Emergency Repair Process**

For many Class C violations that are not certified timely, the emergency repair program will:

- Attempt to contact the managing agent or owner to encourage compliance.
- ➤ Conduct another inspection to scope the repair.
- Contract a vendor or assign HPD staff to make the necessary repairs if the work hasn't been done.
- ➤ When HPD's vendor is paid, the charge against the property is billed to the owner through the Department of Finance (DOF).

### **EXCEPTIONS TO EMERGENCY REPAIR:**

- **≻**Pests
- ➤ Gas restoration
- ➤ Double cylinder locks



# How can an owner remove a violation that is open with HPD?

- There are two important dates listed on the NOV, the correction date, and the certification date. The correction date is the date by which the owner must correct the condition. The certification date is the date by which the owner must certify with HPD that the condition was corrected.
- > Tenants are notified when a property owner certifies correction.
- ➤ HPD may re-inspect but is not required to do so in all cases(except for lead-based paint, Class B and C mold, and self-closing door violations.
- ➤ Violations are deemed complied if no re-inspection is conducted, aside from conditions specified in bullet 2, after 70 days after receipt of the certification. These violations are dismissed.



**Proactive Code Enforcement** 

- Heat Sensor Program: requires owners to install heat sensors in every apartment in selected buildings. The program is in its third year and as of summer, 2024 HPD will select and add 50 new multiple dwellings for the program annually.
- Self-Closing Door Proactive Inspections: includes 300 multiple dwellings annually for which HPD attempts to inspect every door required to be self-closing to ensure proper operation.
- **Building Lead Index**: record production orders for 200 buildings annually and limited corresponding proactive inspections to facilitate compliance with Local Law 1.





## **Enhanced Enforcement Programs**

Heat Sensors Program

https://www.nyc.gov/site/hpd/services-and-information/heat-sensors-program.page

Emergency Repair Program

https://www.nyc.gov/site/hpd/services-and-information/emergency-repair-program-erp.page

Alternative Enforcement Program

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7A Program

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• Underlying Conditions Program

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Anti-Harassment Unit

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Certificate of No Harassment

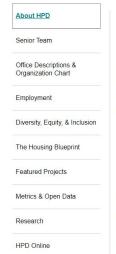
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Housing Litigation

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#### **About HPD**



#### **HPD's Mission**

Our mission is to promote quality and affordability in the city's housing, and diversity and strength in the city's neighborhoods.

We do this by maintaining building and resident safety and health, creating opportunities for New Yorkers through housing affordability, and engaging New Yorkers to build and sustain neighborhood strength and diversity.

Because every New Yorker deserves a safe, affordable place to live in a neighborhood they love.

#### Maintaining Building and Resident Safety and Health



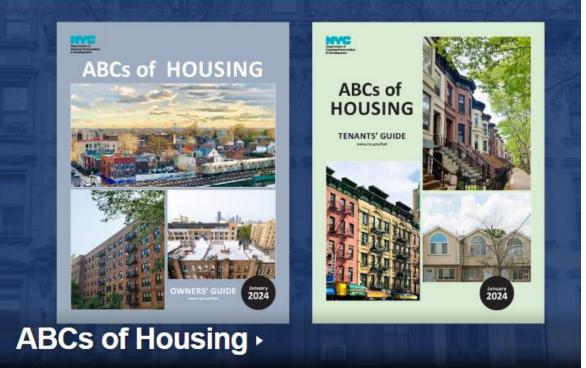




HPD works to ensure the physical safety and quality of homes across the city to maintain the health and well-being of those who live in them. Examples of our work:

We enforce the New York City Housing Maintenance Code on behalf of tenants, inspecting homes for housing quality and safety, training and educating property owners, bringing cases in Housing Court, requiring emergency repairs, and more. Learn more about <u>Code Enforcement</u>.

We work to ensure that existing affordable housing stays affordable and in good physical condition into the future by helping owners stabilize their buildings with tax-exemptions, repair loans, outreach, and education; and working with qualified community partners to rehabilitate



#### WWW.NYC.GOV/HPD

## **RESOURCES**

