



NO-PENALTY RETAINING WALL INSPECTION PROGRAM

March 25th - June 1st 2009

Purpose of Retaining Walls

Retaining walls are permanent structures.

They keep vertical or slanted soil from caving, slumping or sliding.





Maintenance and NYC Building Code

Property owners are responsible for maintaining their retaining walls' safety and stability.

Joint owners of retaining walls that separate adjoining properties share responsibility for maintenance.

Proper retaining wall maintenance must comply with the NYC Building Code.

Call 3-1-1 for an inspection!

Ingrown trees can threaten a retaining wall's stability.

Call 3-1-1 for an inspection if you see a bulging retaining wall or a retaining wall with an ingrown tree.



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Cracks in a retaining wall can mean the wall is dangerous.

Call 3-1-1 if you see a shifted retaining wall or a retaining wall with vertical or horizontal cracks.



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Leaning retaining walls may be dangerous.

If you see any section of a wall leaning, call 3-1-1 to request an inspection.



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Retaining walls should not have any missing stones.

Call 3-1-1 if you see a retaining wall in this condition.



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Free, No-Penalty Retaining Wall Inspections **March 25 to June 1, 2009**

**Inspectors will not issue violations during
the No-Penalty Retaining Wall Inspection Program.**

Private property owners with retaining walls are eligible.

Call 3-1-1 for an Inspection