Cash Payment Restrictions

Effective April 10, 2017, the New York City Department of Buildings will limit cash payments to a maximum of $50.00 per transaction. Additionally, the Department will not accept cash payments for civil penalties or returned checks (A.K.A. ‘No Good Checks’).

Acceptable methods of payment for application/filing fees are
- Credit Cards* (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express)
- Personal Checks
- Company Checks
- Money Orders
- Cash (maximum $50.00 per transaction)

Acceptable methods of payment for online transactions
- e-Checks
- Credit Cards* (Visa, MasterCard, Discover, and American Express)

Acceptable methods of in-person payment for Civil Penalties
- Certified Checks
- Bank or Cashiers’ Checks
- Money Orders
- Credit Cards

Acceptable methods of in-person payment for return checks
- Certified Checks
- Bank or Cashiers’ Checks
- Money Orders

Payment Requirement for Credit Cards
- A valid photo ID is required, example: DOB-issued ID, valid driver’s license, valid passport, or a NYC-issued ID (iDNYC)

For questions or additional information, call (212) 393-2253 or email inquiries to cashreceipts@buildings.nyc.gov.

NOTE: Credit card charges carry a 2.49% convenience fee, which is assessed on the total payment amount due. The convenience fee is required by the third-party provider and is non-refundable.