

**CITY OF NEW YORK  
DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING PRESERVATION AND DEVELOPMENT**

**Notice of Adoption of Amendments to Rules for Providing Stove Knob Covers**

**Notice is hereby given** that pursuant to the authority vested in the Commissioner of the Department of Housing Preservation and Development ("HPD") by sections 1043 and 1802 of the New York City Charter ("City Charter") and sections 27-2046.4 and 27-2090 of the New York City Administrative Code, HPD is adopting amendments to Chapter 55 of Title 28 of the Rules of the City of New York, concerning providing stove knob covers for gas stoves in multiple dwellings. A public hearing was held on May 5, 2022.

**Statement of Basis and Purpose**

Administrative Code section 27-2056.4 provides that owners of multiple dwellings must annually inform tenants that they may request stove knob covers for gas stoves. Recent amendments to section 27-2056.4 by Local Law 44 of 2022, added that tenants may request either stove knob covers, or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms.

Tenants must affirmatively request either device in writing to the owner after receiving the required annual notice. The owner does not have to provide either the stove knob covers or the permanent stove safety knobs if there is no such available device for the stove, if the owner has already fulfilled two requests for replacement of such devices within the previous year, or if the owner has not received a request for installation of such devices.

Owners must keep a record of providing the annual notice, written tenant responses, units for which devices were provided, and a list of requests for such devices. Owners must also document where requests were made for stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms but not provided because there was no such available device for the stove.

New material is underlined.  
[Deleted material is in brackets.]

"Shall" and "must" denote mandatory requirements and may be used interchangeably in the rules of this department, unless otherwise specified or unless the context clearly indicates otherwise.

Section one. Section 55-01 of chapter 55 of title 28 of the rules of the city of New York is amended to read as follows:

**§55-01 Records.**

An owner must keep a record of the following documents for five years, and produce such documents upon request of the Department:

[(1) a documented notification of refusal of stove knob covers tenants;]

[(2)] (1) documentation of annual notification to tenants [attempts] by the owner to make stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms available for

apartments [where the owner knows or reasonably should know that a child under age six resides, for which the tenant did not return the annual notice to the owner];

[(3)] (2) a list of units for which stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms were made available;

[(4)] (3) a list of [tenants who requested] written requests received from units for stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms and attempts to make them available;[.]

[(5)] (4) a list of units where, after written request by the tenant, stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms could not be made available for the particular stove in the unit, with documented proof that compatible knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms for such stove are unavailable or that the stove was not a gas-powered stove.

#### **§55-02 Annual Notice.**

On or prior to [January 5, 2019, and every year, thereafter] January 16th annually, an owner of a unit in a multiple dwelling, other than a dwelling unit in a multiple dwelling owned as a condominium or cooperative and used as the primary residence of such owner, must provide an annual notice to each tenant of a unit with a gas-powered stove regarding the owner's obligation to provide stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms pursuant to New York City Administrative Code section 27-2046.4(a). [Such notice may be combined with other annual notices required to be provided to tenants.] Such notice must provide the following information:

#### **ENGLISH VERSION:**

#### **ANNUAL NOTICE REGARDING INSTALLATION OF STOVE KNOB COVERS OR PERMANENT STOVE SAFETY KNOBS WITH INTEGRATED LOCKING MECHANISMS**

The owner of this building is required, by Administrative Code §27-2046.4(a), to provide stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms for each knob located on the front of each gas-powered stove to tenants in each dwelling unit in which a child under six years of age resides when requested to do so in writing by the tenant, unless there is no available stove knob cover or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms that is compatible with the knobs on the stove. Tenants may [refuse] request stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms by marking the appropriate box on this form. Tenants may also request stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms even if they do not have a child under age six residing with them, by marking the appropriate box on this form. The owner must make the stove knob covers available within 30 days of [this notice] the written request by the tenant. Please also note that an owner is only required to provide replacement stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms twice within any one-year period. You may request [or refuse] stove knob covers or permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms by checking the appropriate box on the form below, and by returning it to the owner at the address provided. [If you do not refuse stove knob covers in writing, the owner will attempt to make them available to you.]

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Please complete this form by checking the appropriate box, filling out the information requested, and signing. Please return the form to the owner at the address provided by (INSERT DATE):

☐ Yes, I want stove knob covers or replacement stove knob covers for my stove [, and I have a child under age six residing in my apartment].

☐ Yes, I want [stove knob covers or replacement stove knob covers] permanent stove safety knobs with integrated locking mechanisms for my stove[, even though I do not have a child under age six residing in my apartment].

There is a child under age six residing in my apartment:

☐ YES [No, I DO NOT want stove knob covers for my stove, even though I have a child under age six residing in my apartment.]

☐ NO [No, I DO NOT want stove knob covers for my stove. There is no child under age six residing in my apartment.]

\_\_\_\_\_(Tenant Signature)\_\_\_\_\_(DATE)

Print Name, Address, and Apartment Number:

Return this form to: (Owner address): \_\_\_\_\_

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اردو ورژن:

اسٹوو نوب کورز یا باہم مربوط لاکنگ میکانزم والے مستقل اسٹوو سیفٹی ناب کی انسٹالیشن کے سلسلے میں سالانہ نوٹس

انتظامی ضابطہ §27-2046.4(a) کی رو سے، اس عمارت کے مالک سے گیس کی قوت سے چلنے والے ہر اسٹوو کے سامنے واقع ہر ناب کے لیے اسٹوو نوب کورز یا باہم مربوط لاکنگ میکانزم والا مستقل اسٹوو سیفٹی ناب ہر اس ڈویلنگ یونٹ کے کرایہ داروں کو جس میں چھ سال سے کم عمر کا بچہ رہتا ہو کرایہ دار کے ذریعے تحریری شکل میں اس کی درخواست کیے جانے پر فراہم کرنے کا تقاضا کیا جاتا ہے، الا یہ کہ کوئی ایسا اسٹوو نوب کورز یا باہم مربوط لاکنگ میکانزم والا مستقل اسٹوو سیفٹی ناب دستیاب نہ ہو جو اسٹوو پر موجود ناب سے مطابقت پذیر ہو۔ کرایہ داران اس فارم پر مناسب باکس کو نشان زد کر کے اسٹوو نوب کورز یا باہم مربوط لاکنگ میکانزم والے مستقل اسٹوو سیفٹی ناب کی درخواست [مسترد] کر سکتے ہیں۔ کرایہ داران اس فارم پر مناسب باکس کو نشان زد کر کے، اسٹوو نوب کورز یا باہم مربوط لاکنگ میکانزم والے مستقل اسٹوو سیفٹی ناب کی درخواست کر سکتے ہیں چاہے چھ سال سے کم عمر کا کوئی بچہ ان کے ساتھ نہیں رہ رہا ہو۔ مالک کو کرایہ دار کے ذریعے تحریری درخواست کیے جانے کی تاریخ [اس نوٹس] سے 30 دنوں کے اندر اسٹوو ناب کورز دستیاب کرانا ضروری ہے۔ براہ کرم نوٹ کر لیں کہ مالک سے صرف کسی بھی ایک سال کی مدت کے اندر دو بار متبادل اسٹوو نوب کورز یا باہم مربوط لاکنگ میکانزم والا مستقل اسٹوو سیفٹی ناب فراہم کرنے کا تقاضا کیا جاتا ہے۔ آپ ذیل کے فارم پر مناسب باکس کو نشان زد کر کے یا فراہم کردہ پتے پر مالک کو اسے واپس بھیج کر اسٹوو نوب کورز یا باہم مربوط لاکنگ میکانزم والے مستقل اسٹوو سیفٹی ناب کی درخواست [مسترد] کر سکتے ہیں۔ [اگر آپ اسٹوو ناب کورز کو تحریری شکل میں مسترد نہیں کرتے ہیں تو، مالک انہیں آپ کو

دستیاب کرانے کی کوشش کرے گا۔]

براہ کرم مناسب باکس کو نشان زد کر کے، درخواست کردہ معلومات پُر کر کے، اور دستخط کر کے یہ فارم مکمل کریں۔ براہ کرم یہ فارم فراہم کردہ پتے پر مالک کو (تاریخ داخل کریں) تک واپس بھیجیں:

☐ ہاں، مجھے اپنے اسٹوو کے لیے اسٹوو ناب کورز یا متبادل اسٹوو ناب کورز چاہیے [، اور میرے پاس میرے اپارٹمنٹ میں رہنے والا چھ سال سے کم عمر کا ایک بچہ ہے]۔

☐ ہاں، مجھے اپنے اسٹوو کے لیے [اسٹوو ناب کورز یا متبادل اسٹوو ناب کورز] یا بیم مربوط لاکنگ میکانزم والا مستقل اسٹوو سیفٹی ناب چاہیے [، اگرچہ میرے پاس میرے اپارٹمنٹ میں رہنے والا چھ سال سے کم عمر کا بچہ نہیں ہے]۔

میرے اپارٹمنٹ میں رہنے والا چھ سال سے کم عمر کا ایک بچہ ہے:

☐ ہاں [نہیں، مجھے اپنے اسٹوو کے لیے اسٹوو ناب کورز نہیں چاہیے، اگرچہ میرے پاس میرے اپارٹمنٹ میں رہنے والا چھ سال سے کم عمر کا ایک بچہ ہے]۔

☐ نہیں [نہیں، مجھے اپنے اسٹوو کے لیے اسٹوو ناب کورز نہیں چاہیے۔ میرے اپارٹمنٹ میں رہنے والا چھ سال سے کم عمر کا بچہ نہیں ہے]۔

\_\_\_\_\_ (کرایہ دار کے دستخط) \_\_\_\_\_ (تاریخ)

نام، پتہ، اور اپارٹمنٹ نمبر جلی حروف میں لکھیں:

\_\_\_\_\_ یہ فارم اس پتے پر واپس بھیجیں: (مالک کا پتہ): \_\_\_\_\_