

Protect Your Benefits from Skimming! What Is Skimming?

Skimming is a type of theft. Thieves put an overlay on a store's card-swiping machine to copy EBT, credit and debit card information. The thieves use the information to make fake EBT, debit or credit cards. The fake cards are called clones. Cloned cards are used to steal money from real accounts. Like yours!

Skimming can happen **anywhere** you swipe your credit, debit, or EBT card. Most of the time, that means EBT or Credit Card machines and ATMs.

Know the signs of fraud. Below are some examples you may see in stores.

EBT/Credit Card Machine

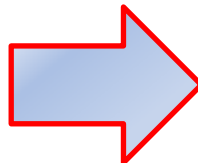
Look for an overlay. It's bigger than the original machine:



The overlay may hide parts of the machine.

If you answer **no** to any of the questions on the right,

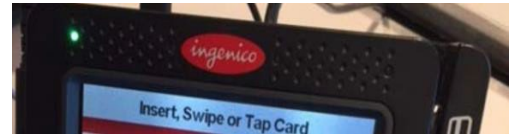
Do not use the machine



Protect Your Benefits and Money!

If you think your card has been cloned and your benefits are being stolen, **immediately** call the HRA Fraud Unit:
718-722-8001

Do you see a green light -
Yes or No?



Can you see the whole stylus (pen) tray?



Yes No

Can you see a light behind the numbers? You may need to shade the machine from the room lights to see them.



Yes No

Report suspected skimming overlays. Call the HRA Fraud Unit: **718-722-8001**

! To get a new EBT card and change your PIN, call the EBT Helpline: **888-328-6399**