



## Protect Your Child From Lead Poisoning and Window Falls Annual Notice

New York City law requires that tenants living in buildings with rental units complete this form and return it to their Building owner/manager before February 15, each year. If you do not return this form, your Building owner/manager must visit your home to determine if a child resides in your home.

### Peeling Lead Paint

By law, your **Building owner** is required to inspect your home for peeling paint and other lead paint hazards at least once a year if a child 5 years or younger lives with you or routinely spends 10 or more hours each week in your home. They must provide you with the results of the inspection and must use safe work practices to repair all peeling paint and other lead paint hazards.

- You must notify your **building owner/manager** in writing if a child 5 years or younger comes to live with you during the year or routinely spends 10 or more hours each week in your home.
- **Always report peeling paint to your building owner. Call 311 if your building owner does not respond or if the repair work is creating dust to which you are exposed.**

These notice and inspection requirements apply to buildings with rental units built before 1960. They also apply to such buildings built between 1960 and 1978 if the building owner knows that lead paint is present.

### Window Guards

By law, your building owner is required to install window guards and/or limiting devices in all your windows if a child 10 years or younger resides with you or routinely spends 10 or more hours each week in your home, OR if you request window guards (even if no children live with you).

- **It is against the law** for you to interfere with installation or remove window guards where they are required. **Air conditioners in windows must be permanently installed.**
- Window guards must be installed so there is no space greater than 4½ inches above or below the guard, on the side of the guard, or between the bars.
- ONLY windows that open to fire escapes, and one window in each first-floor apartment when there is a fire escape on the outside of the building, are legally exempt from this requirement.

These requirements apply to all buildings with three or more apartments, regardless of when they were built.

***Fill out and detach the bottom part of this form and return it to your landlord.***

Please check all boxes that apply:

- ☐ **A child 5 years or younger lives in or routinely spends 10 or more hours each week in my home or apartment.**
- ☐ **A child 10 years or younger lives in my home and:**
- ☐ Window guards are installed in all windows as required.
  - ☐ Window guards need repair.
  - ☐ Window guards are NOT installed in all windows as required.
- ☐ **No child 10 years or younger lives in my home:**
- ☐ I want window guards installed anyway.
  - ☐ I have window guards, but they need repair.

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| <i>Last Name</i>      | <i>First Name</i> | <i>Middle Initial</i>   |              |                 |
| <i>Street Address</i> | <i>Apt.#</i>      | <i>City</i>             | <i>State</i> | <i>ZIP Code</i> |
| <i>Signature</i>      | <i>Date</i>       | <i>Telephone Number</i> |              |                 |

**Deadline for return: February 15, 2026**

Return form to building owner or managing agent. Call 311 for more information about preventing lead poisoning and window falls.