



NEW YORK CITY HOUSING AUTHORITY LEASE CHANGE NOTICE

The New York City Housing Authority (NYCHA) plans to update its Resident Lease Agreement to comply with federal regulations on smoke-free public housing. Smoke-free policy is scheduled to take effect July 30, 2018.

Smoke-Free NYCHA will create healthier communities for public housing residents and employees. For more information on the new policy and resources to help you or a family member quit smoking please visit the NYCHA website or your Management Office.

NYCHA plans to add the following new smoke-free provisions as paragraph 12(dd) of the lease:

12(dd): To assure that, in compliance with the Landlord's Smoke-Free Policy, the Tenant, any member of the household, a guest, or another person under the Tenant's control, shall not smoke prohibited tobacco products in restricted areas, as described in the Landlord's Smoke-Free Policy. Restricted areas include, but are not limited to, the Leased Premises, all interior areas of the Development or other developments of the Landlord, and areas within 25 feet of development buildings, or to the property boundary where that boundary is less than 25 feet from the property line of a development building. Prohibited tobacco products include, but are not limited to, cigarettes, cigars, pipes, and hookahs (water pipes).

The Landlord's adoption of the requirements in this paragraph 12(dd) does not make the Landlord a guarantor of the Tenant's or any other resident's health or of the smoke-free condition of restricted areas. The Landlord specifically disclaims any implied or express warranties that the Landlord's public housing properties will have higher or improved air quality or will be free from secondhand smoke.

The Landlord will take reasonable steps to enforce the requirements of this paragraph 12(dd) utilizing a graduated enforcement policy, as provided in the Landlord's Smoke-Free Policy.

You have the opportunity to submit written comments about this new lease provision.

Please email your comments to smoke-free@nycha.nyc.gov or mail your comments to:

NYCHA – Lease Changes
P.O. Box 3422
New York, New York 10008

All comments must be postmarked no later than Monday, February 12, 2018.

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