

HOUSING ELIGIBILITY

HOUSING QUALITY STANDARDS

Housing units under the Section 8 Program must be safe, decent, and sanitary condition. Each unit must pass our field representative's inspection before we approve the unit for Section 8 assistance. You should review the requirements indicated below before you send a request for lease approval and the related papers. Make sure the unit conforms to these standards, or that the landlord can and will make the necessary repair or alterations. All plumbing, electrical, heating, and other mechanical systems must be in proper operating condition.

1. ALL ROOMS

OK

NEED
REPAIRS

- A. Are there at least two working outlets or one working outlet and one light fixture?
(Kitchen and bathroom must have permanent light fixture.)
- B. Is there any exposed wiring (other than low voltage doorbell, etc)?
- C. Do each outlet and light switch have a cover plate and work properly?
- D. Do all windows open or close properly?
- E. Do any windows need putty? Are doors leading to exterior properly weather Ostripped?
- F. Do all windows have strong doors?
- G. Is the ceiling structurally sound?
- H. Are there any leaks in ceiling, walls, or windows?
- I. Are there any holes in ceiling or walls?
- J. Is there crumbling plaster or peeling paint on window and door frames, walls, or ceilings?
- K. Is there peeling paint between interior an exterior windows?
- L. Are the floors structurally sound?
- M. Do the floors have any tripping hazards, such as torn linoleum or carpeting?
- N. Are all closet doors hung properly so that they do not fall?

2. KITCHEN

- A. Does the stove have all knobs intact, and do all burners and the oven operate properly?
- B. Is the refrigerator large enough from the family size?
- C. Do the refrigerator and freezer cool properly?
- D. Is there adequate space to store and prepare food?
- E. Does the sink provide hot and cold running eater?
Are there any leaks?
Does the water drain properly?

3. BATHROOM

- A. Does the toilet operate properly?
Are there any leaks?
- B. Does the sink provide hot and cold running water?
Is there enough water pressure?
Are there any leaks?
Does the water drain properly?

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	<u>OK</u>	<u>NEED REPAIRS</u>
3. <u>BATHROOM</u> (continued)		
C. Does the tub or shower provide hot and cold running water	_____	_____
Are there any leaks?	_____	_____
D. Is there ventilation provide by a window located on an exterior wall or an exhaust fame?	_____	_____
4. <u>BEDROOM</u>		
A. Does it have a window located on an exterior wall?	_____	_____
5. <u>HEATING EQUIPMENT</u>		
A. Is the heating equipment capable of providing adequate heat to all room used for living?	_____	_____
B. Is the unit free from unvented fuel-burning space heaters or any other unsafe heating condition?	_____	_____
C. If the furnace is n a closet, are the doors vented?	_____	_____
6. <u>HOT WATER HEATER</u>		
A. Does the hot water heater or pipes have leaks?	_____	_____
B. Does the pressure release valve discharge pipe extend to approximately 6 inches	_____	_____
7. <u>ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS</u>		
A. Are all entrances and exit doors made of solid material with adequate locks for security?	_____	_____
B. Is there a working smoke detector on each level of the dwelling?	_____	_____
C. Is the unit free of rodents and insects?	_____	_____
D. Is the unit free from heavy accumulations of garbage and debris inside and outside?	_____	_____
E. Are there adequate covered facilities for the disposal of garbage?	_____	_____
F. Where there are four or more stairs inside or outside of the unit, is there a handrail?	_____	_____
I. Are the stairs free from loose, broken or missing steps?	_____	_____
II. Are the stairs in the unit and the common areas free from tripping hazards? (Torn carpeting, etc)	_____	_____
G. Is the unit free from air pollutants? (Mold, sewer, gas, etc.)	_____	_____
H. Is the neighborhood free from <u>hazards</u> , which would seriously endanger the health And safety of residents? (Abandoned and exposed building nearby, etc)	_____	_____
I. PORCHES:		
I. Are enclosed process free form exposed wiring?	_____	_____
II. Do the windows lock?	_____	_____
III. Are the floors and walls structurally safe?	_____	_____
IV. Are there any holes, leaks, and chipping paint?	_____	_____
V. Is there crumbling cement?	_____	_____
J. Have the elevators been inspected on a regular basis?	_____	_____
K. EXTERIOR OF UNIT:		
I. Is there any peeling paint on the outside of the unit within the reach of a child?	_____	_____
II. Is the foundation sound and free of hazard?	_____	_____
III. Are there any holes in the exterior?	_____	_____
IV. Are the sidewalks free fro tripping hazards?	_____	_____