

Tenant Responsibility Inspection Checklist:

- 1. Apartments shall be clean, safe and sanitary; in particular, sinks, bathtub & showers, floors, countertops, toilets & stove top
- 2. Mold may accumulate if you don't use the exhaust fan in the bathroom so by wiping down the ceiling or walls regularly with a mixture of bleach and water mold shouldn't grow
- 3. Clean the exhaust fan in the bathroom; covers come off and can be washed
- 4. Excessive use of extension cords is prohibited; use of UL listed GFCI protected power strips are recommended if necessary. Overloading the receptacle may create a fire
- 5. Extension cords must be plugged directly into the receptacle not into another extension cord or a power strip; read the cord instructions
- 6. High power usage appliances such as air conditioners, microwaves or approved temporary space heaters shall be plugged directly into the receptacle; not into adapters, extension cords or power strips. Read the appliance instructions
- 7. No cords shall run across a path of travel or doorways, this is a trip hazard
- 8. No cords shall run under carpets; friction is created by the carpet during normal wear which rubs and deteriorates the wire coating, this is a fire hazard
- 9. No storage of anything in hallways or stairs that will reduce the width or is a tripping hazard is permitted. Areas shall be maintained free of shoes, furniture, vacuum cleaners, clothes and clutter. A clear path of egress is required to provide a safe path for you to get out and a safe path for emergency personnel to get in.
- 10. Doorways and windows shall not be blocked for emergency egress
- 11. Outdoor trash, litter and garbage shall be stored in plastic containers
- 12. Broken &/or unusable items, wood pieces, branches, rubbish and indoor style furniture in exterior areas are prohibited
- 13. Exterior porches, balconies or stairs are not approved storage areas
- 14. Vehicles that are uninspected, in disrepair, lacks a license plate, etc. is prohibited; vehicles must be street legal
- 15. Use of space heaters are prohibited unless being used in a temporary manner and according to the manufacturer's instructions; they shall not be used as the main heat source.

This list was created to offer assistance for tenants preparing for the required 3-year inspection conducted by the Borough. The above noted are your responsibilities and although comprehensive the list may not be all inclusive, there is always a margin for the unknown.

Remember to always contact your landlord with questions and concerns about your home; they don't know if you don't tell them...