

SECTION 8 RENTAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAMS INSPECTION CHECK-LIST

ELECTRICAL SYSTEM

Living room and bedroom require two (2) outlets or one (1) outlet and one (1) permanently installed ceiling or wall-type fixture; kitchen requires one (1) outlet and one (1) permanent light fixture.

HEATING SYSTEM

Must provide adequate heat, either direct or indirect, according to code. Portable electric heaters, kerosene heaters, and unvented space heaters are not acceptable.

SECURITY/SAFETY

Locks are required on first floor windows and any other windows accessible from fire escapes, porch, etc.

A fire escape is required for units above the second floor.

Railings are required on porches and balconies 30 inches or more above the ground, handrails are required on four (4) or more consecutive steps, including steps to attics and basements, unless padlocked.

Unit must contain smoke detector(s) on each level.

UTILITIES / APPLIANCES (may be provided by either tenant or landlord)

Individual meters are required for tenant paid utilities. Utility bills, such as water, sewer and trash collection may not be split between tenants in multi-family buildings.

Hot water heater must contain a temperature-pressure relief valve and a discharge line.

Oven and all burners are required to work. All operating knobs must be present. Hot plates and microwaves may not be substituted for ranges.

Refrigerator must be of adequate size for family and properly cool food.

OTHER

Windows are required in living room and bedroom(s). Bathroom(s) require an operable window or an exhaust vent system. No requirement for kitchen or dining rooms.

Interior and exterior wall surfaces must be free from chipping paint.

Please provide access to heating and plumbing facilities by having area unlocked or leaving a key with your tenant. Thank you!