




Avoiding Violations: Residents

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Keep NYC healthy, safe, and clean by following our rules and regulations while avoiding fines.

Prepare collection at the correct time.

Keep waste in heavy-duty, securely tied bags (opaque for trash-clear for recycling) or covered bins. All trash and recycling should be placed curbside in front of your building between 4 PM and midnight the night before your regularly scheduled collection day. Residential trash should never be placed in or beside our corner litter baskets.

Fine Avoided: \$100 - \$300. AC §16-120(c) and (e).

Clean your sidewalk and gutters.

Be sure to regularly clean your sidewalk area (extending 18 inches into the street). Our Enforcement Officers checks sidewalks and gutters between 8 AM - 9 AM and 6 PM - 7 PM.

Fine Avoided: \$100 - \$300. AC §16-118(2).

Clear snow and ice.

After a winter storm, remove snow and ice to create a path that's at least four feet wide (but don't move it into the street). Also clear space around fire hydrants and sidewalk corner ramps.

Fine Avoided: \$100 - \$350. AC §16-123.

Cover your mattress.

Fully encase mattresses and box springs within a sealed plastic bag when placed out for collection. This helps reduce the spreading of bed bugs. If your mattress is large (4 feet by 3 feet or larger), call **311** or visit **nyc.gov/bulk** to schedule an appointment. If your mattress is small (less than 4 feet by 3 feet), put it out the night before any garbage collection day.

Fine Avoided: \$100 - \$350. AC §16-120(a).

Pick up after your pet.

Make sure your dog is on a leash no more than six feet long. Clean up after your dog and do not have them relieve themselves on public (sidewalks and grass strips) or private property.

Fine Avoided: \$250. NYS Public Health Law §1310(2); \$200-\$400. NYC HC §161.05; \$200-\$400. NYC HC §161.03.

Be sure to recycle.

All residents in New York City are required to recycle metal, glass, plastic, beverage cartons, paper and cardboard. Organic materials — soiled paper, yard waste and food scraps — are collected curbside in certain districts.

Fine Avoided: \$25. 16 Rules of the City of New York §1-08 (a).