New York Rental Application

One application per adult applicant. Complete, sign and give a copy to the landlord.

Fill out this application online

New York application and screening fees

For an ordinary residential rental, a landlord cannot charge an application-processing fee. The combined charge for permitted credit and background checks is limited to the actual cost or $20, whichever is less. It must be waived if you supply a copy of a credit or background check performed within the past 30 days.

The landlord must provide a copy of the check and the screening company's receipt or invoice before collecting that charge. Different statutory rules apply to certain care or retirement facilities and cooperative ownership applications; this general form is for rental housing.

This tool is free. Signing confirms your information, not agreement to a fee, a consumer-report authorization or a lease.

Keep this notice with the application. Complete the form on the next two pages.

New York Real Property Law section 238-a. Official law: nysenate.gov/legislation/laws/RPP/238-A.

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1. Rental home

Street address and unit (required)

City (required)

ZIP code (optional)

Preferred move-in date (optional)

Number of people who would live here (optional)

2. Applicant

Full name (required)

Email (email or phone required)

Phone (email or phone required)

Other adult applicants (optional)

3. Housing history

Current address (optional)

Current address - From (optional)

Current address - To (leave blank if still living here)

Current landlord or property manager (optional)

Current landlord phone or email (optional)

Previous address (optional)

Previous address - From (optional)

Previous address - To (optional)

Previous landlord or property manager (optional)

Previous landlord phone or email (optional)

Other housing history or context (optional)

Keep Social Security numbers, bank account details and copies of identification out of this application.

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4. Resources available for rent

Include lawful resources you want considered. Keep account and identification details out of this form.

Monthly amount available, in dollars (optional)

Employer or other source, if you wish to identify it (optional)

Job title or type of work (optional)

Employment start date (optional)

Additional information about paying rent (optional)

5. References and other details

List contacts who have agreed to be references. Assistance animals are not pets.

First reference name and relationship (optional)

First reference phone or email (optional)

Second reference name and relationship (optional)

Second reference phone or email (optional)

Pet details (optional)

Additional notes for the property manager (optional)

6. Vehicles and parking (optional)

Parking spaces requested

Vehicle year, make, model and color

7. Applicant certification and signature

I confirm that the information I provided is accurate to the best of my knowledge.

This is an application for consideration. It does not authorize a consumer report or create a lease or payment agreement.

Date signed

Applicant signature

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