

STATE UNIFORM FIRE PREVENTION AND BUILDING CODE

For Owners and Tenants Housing Maintenance

Responsibility of Occupants

With respect to that part of a building which the occupant occupies, controls or uses, the occupant shall be responsible for the following:

- (a) occupancy limitations and its lawfully permitted use;
- (b) maintenance in a clean, safe and sanitary condition;
- (c) maintenance of plumbing, cooking and refrigeration equipment, appliances, fixtures and facilities, in a clean and sanitary condition, and providing reasonable care in the operation and use thereof;
- (d) keeping exits free and clear;
- (e) disposing of garbage and refuse into provided facilities in a sanitary manner, and keeping the premises free and clear therefrom; and
- (f) keeping domestic animals and pets in an appropriate manner and under control.

Monthly Utility Budget

Get the exact address of the rental unit that interests you, including the apartment number if there is one. If the unit is heated with natural gas, then call the utility company that provides service in your area. (If you do not know which company that is, then please refer to the other side of this sheet to find out, or ask the landlord.)

Phone numbers of local providers:

RG&E	1 - 800 - 743 - 2110
NYSEG	1 - 800 - 572 - 1111
National Grid (was N/MO) -	1 - 800 - 867 - 5222
National Fuel Board	1 - 800 - 365 - 3234

If the utility company provides both gas and electric, ask the customer service person to give you the separate budget amounts for each. It can be helpful to know how much of each you are using. You can then add the two amounts together to calculate your total monthly budget amount. You might be in an area that uses different companies to provide heating fuel and electricity. In that case, you'll have to call both of them to figure your total utility budget expense.