



The MCHA is required to enforce federal Housing Quality Standards (HQS) via a Physical Inspection of units on the Housing Choice Voucher Program.

Below is the current federally mandated HQS Checklist.

Inspection Checklist

Housing Choice Voucher Program

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Name of Family	Tenant ID Number	Date of Request (mm/dd/yyyy)
Inspector	Neighborhood/Census Tract	Date of Inspection (mm/dd/yyyy)
Type of Inspection Initial <input type="checkbox"/> Special <input type="checkbox"/> Reinspection <input type="checkbox"/>	Date of Last Inspection (mm/dd/yyyy)	PHA

A. General Information		Housing Type (check as appropriate) <input type="checkbox"/> Single Family Detached <input type="checkbox"/> Duplex or Two Family <input type="checkbox"/> Row House or Town House <input type="checkbox"/> Low Rise; 3, 4 Stories, Including Garden Apartment <input type="checkbox"/> High Rise; 5 or More Stories <input type="checkbox"/> Manufactured Home <input type="checkbox"/> Congregate <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative <input type="checkbox"/> Independent Group Residence <input type="checkbox"/> Single Room Occupancy <input type="checkbox"/> Shared Housing <input type="checkbox"/> Other
Inspected Unit	Year Constructed (yyyy)	
Full Address (including Street, City, County, State, Zip)		
Number of Children in Family Under 6		
Owner		
Name of Owner or Agent Authorized to Lease Unit Inspected	Phone Number	
Address of Owner or Agent		

B. Summary Decision On Unit (To be completed after form has been filled out)			
<input type="checkbox"/> Pass <input type="checkbox"/> Fail <input type="checkbox"/> Inconclusive	Number of Bedrooms for Purposes of the FMR or Payment Standard	Number of Sleeping Rooms	

Inspection Checklist					Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
Item No.	1. Living Room	Yes Pass	No Fail	In-Conc.	
1.1	Living Room Present				
1.2	Electricity				
1.3	Electrical Hazards				
1.4	Security				
1.5	Window Condition				
1.6	Ceiling Condition				
1.7	Wall Condition				
1.8	Floor Condition				

* Room Codes: 1 = Bedroom or Any Other Room Used for Sleeping (regardless of type of room); 2 = Dining Room or Dining Area;
 3 = Second Living Room, Family Room, Den, Playroom, TV Room; 4 = Entrance Halls, Corridors, Halls, Staircases; 5 = Additional Bathroom; 6 = Other

Item No.	1. Living Room (Continued)	Yes Pas	No Fail	In-Conc.	Comment	Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
1.9	Lead-Based Paint Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint? If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?				Not Applicable	
2. Kitchen						
2.1	Kitchen Area Present					
2.2	Electricity					
2.3	Electrical Hazards					
2.4	Security					
2.5	Window Condition					
2.6	Ceiling Condition					
2.7	Wall Condition					
2.8	Floor Condition					
2.9	Lead-Based Paint Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint? If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?				Not Applicable	
2.10	Stove or Range with Oven					
2.11	Refrigerator					
2.12	Sink					
2.13	Space for Storage, Preparation, and Serving of Food					
3. Bathroom						
3.1	Bathroom Present					
3.2	Electricity					
3.3	Electrical Hazards					
3.4	Security					
3.5	Window Condition					
3.6	Ceiling Condition					
3.7	Wall Condition					
3.8	Floor Condition					
3.9	Lead-Based Paint Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint? If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?				Not Applicable	
3.10	Flush Toilet in Enclosed Room in Unit					
3.11	Fixed Wash Basin or Lavatory in Unit					
3.12	Tub or Shower in Unit					
3.13	Ventilation					

Item No. 4. Other Rooms Used For Living and Halls	Yes Pass	No Fail	In- Conc.	Comment	Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
4.1 Room Code* and Room Location <input type="checkbox"/>	(Circle One) Right/Center/Left			(Circle One) Front/Center/Rear ____ Floor Level	
4.2 Electricity/Illumination					
4.3 Electrical Hazards					
4.4 Security					
4.5 Window Condition					
4.6 Ceiling Condition					
4.7 Wall Condition					
4.8 Floor Condition					
4.9 Lead-Based Paint Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint? If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?				<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable	
4.10 Smoke Detectors					
4.1 Room Code* and Room Location <input type="checkbox"/>	(Circle One) Right/Center/Left			(Circle One) Front/Center/Rear ____ Floor Level	
4.2 Electricity/Illumination					
4.3 Electrical Hazards					
4.4 Security					
4.5 Window Condition					
4.6 Ceiling Condition					
4.7 Wall Condition					
4.8 Floor Condition					
4.9 Lead-Based Paint Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint? If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?				<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable	
4.10 Smoke Detectors					
4.1 Room Code* and Room Location <input type="checkbox"/>	(Circle One) Right/Center/Left			(Circle One) Front/Center/Rear ____ Floor Level	
4.2 Electricity/Illumination					
4.3 Electrical Hazards					
4.4 Security					
4.5 Window Condition					
4.6 Ceiling Condition					
4.7 Wall Condition					
4.8 Floor Condition					
4.9 Lead-Based Paint Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint? If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?				<input type="checkbox"/> Not Applicable	
4.10 Smoke Detectors					

Item No.	4. Other Rooms Used For Living and Halls	Yes Pass	No Fail	In-Conc.	Comment	Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)	
4.1	Room Code * and Room Location	(Circle One) Right/Center/Left			(Circle One) Front/Center/Rear	Floor Level	
4.2	Electricity/Illumination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.3	Electrical Hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.4	Security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.5	Window Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.6	Ceiling Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.7	Wall Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.8	Floor Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.9	Lead-Based Paint				Not Applicable		
	Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.10	Smoke Detectors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.1	Room Code* and Room Location	(Circle One) Right/Center/Left			(Circle One) Front/Center/Rear	Floor Level	
4.2	Electricity/Illumination	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.3	Electrical Hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.4	Security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.5	Window Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.6	Ceiling Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.7	Wall Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.8	Floor Condition	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.9	Lead-Based Paint				Not Applicable		
	Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
	If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed two square feet per room and/or is more than 10% of a component?	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
4.10	Smoke Detectors	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
5. All Secondary Rooms (Rooms not used for living)							
5.1	None Go to Part 6	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
5.2	Security	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
5.3	Electrical Hazards	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			
5.4	Other Potentially Hazardous Features in these Rooms	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>			

Item No.	6. Building Exterior	Yes Pass	No Fail	In - Conc.	Comment	Final Approval Date (mm/dd/yyyy)
6.1	Condition of Foundation					
6.2	Condition of Stairs, Rails, and Porches					
6.3	Condition of Roof/Gutters					
6.4	Condition of Exterior Surfaces					
6.5	Condition of Chimney					
6.6	Lead Paint: Exterior Surfaces Are all painted surfaces free of deteriorated paint? If not, do deteriorated surfaces exceed 20 square feet of total exterior surface area?				Not Applicable	
6.7	Manufactured Home: Tie Downs					
7. Heating and Plumbing						
7.1	Adequacy of Heating Equipment					
7.2	Safety of Heating Equipment					
7.3	Ventilation/Cooling					
7.4	Water Heater					
7.5	Approvable Water Supply					
7.6	Plumbing					
7.7	Sewer Connection					
8. General Health and Safety						
8.1	Access to Unit					
8.2	Fire Exits					
8.3	Evidence of Infestation					
8.4	Garbage and Debris					
8.5	Refuse Disposal					
8.6	Interior Stairs and Common Halls					
8.7	Other Interior Hazards					
8.8	Elevators					
8.9	Interior Air Quality					
8.10	Site and Neighborhood Conditions					
8.11	Lead-Based Paint: Owner's Certification				Not Applicable	

If the owner is required to correct any lead-based paint hazards at the property including deteriorated paint or other hazards identified by a visual assessor, a certified lead-based paint risk assessor, or certified lead-based paint inspector, the PHA must obtain certification that the work has been done in accordance with all applicable requirements of 24 CFR Part 35. The Lead -Based Paint Owner Certification must be received by the PHA before the execution of the HAP contract or within the time period stated by the PHA in the owner HQS violation notice. Receipt of the completed and signed Lead-Based Paint Owner Certification signifies that all HQS lead-based paint requirements have been met and no re-inspection by the HQS inspector is required.

C. Special Amenities (Optional)

This Section is for optional use of the HA. It is designed to collect additional information about other positive features of the unit that may be present. Although the features listed below are not included in the Housing Quality Standards, the tenant and HA may wish to take them into consideration in decisions about renting the unit and the reasonableness of the rent. Check/list any positive features found in relation to the unit.

D. Questions to ask the Tenant (Optional)
1. Living Room

- High quality floors or wall coverings
- Working fireplace or stove Balcony, patio, deck, porch Special windows or doors
- Exceptional size relative to needs of family
- Other: (Specify)

2. Kitchen

- Dishwasher
- Separate freezer
- Garbage disposal
- Eating counter/breakfast nook
- Pantry or abundant shelving or cabinets
- Double oven/self cleaning oven, microwave
- Double sink
- High quality cabinets
- Abundant counter-top space
- Modern appliance(s)
- Exceptional size relative to needs of family
- Other: (Specify)

3. Other Rooms Used for Living

- High quality floors or wall coverings
- Working fireplace or stove Balcony, patio, deck, porch Special windows or doors
- Exceptional size relative to needs of family
- Other: (Specify)

4. Bath

- Special feature shower head
- Built-in heat lamp
- Large mirrors
- Glass door on shower/tub
- Separate dressing room
- Double sink or special lavatory
- Exceptional size relative to needs of family
- Other: (Specify)

5. Overall Characteristics

- Storm windows and doors
- Other forms of weatherization (e.g., insulation, weather stripping) Screen doors or windows
- Good upkeep of grounds (i.e., site cleanliness, landscaping, condition of lawn)
- Garage or parking facilities
- Driveway
- Large yard
- Good maintenance of building exterior
- Other: (Specify)

6. Accessibility for Individuals with Disabilities

Unit is accessible to a particular disability. Yes No
Disability

1. Does the owner make repairs when asked? Yes No
2. How many people live there?
3. How much money do you pay to the owner/agent for rent? \$ _____
4. Do you pay for anything else? (specify) _____
5. Who owns the range and refrigerator? (insert O = Owner or T = Tenant) Range _____ Refrigerator _____ Microwave
6. Is there anything else you want to tell us? (specify) Yes No

