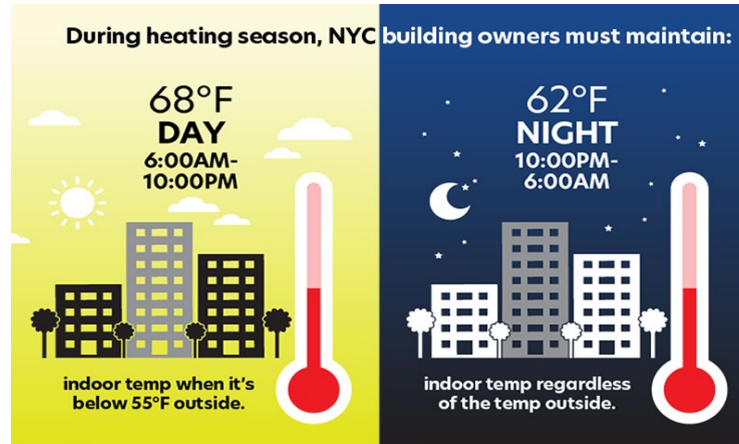


# Heating Season has Begun!



From October 1 through May 31, New York City building owners must maintain an indoor temperature of at least 68 degrees between 6 a.m. and 10 p.m. when it's below 55 degrees outside. From 10 p.m. to 6 a.m., indoor temperature must be at least 62 degrees regardless of the temperature outside. Hot water must be kept at a minimum temperature of 120 degrees at the source, year-round.

HPD Housing Inspectors will be vigilantly working to ensure residential building owners are providing these services according to the law." said **HPD Commissioner Adolfo Carrión Jr.** "HPD has again highlighted a campaign for tenants and complaints can be registered online or by calling 311 and HPD will use all of its enforcement tools to get heat and hot water restored. HPD levies fees, penalties and conducts emergency repairs as warranted to ensure households have essential heat and hot water services.

Maintaining the required temperature will avoid tenant complaints and costly enforcement action from HPD.

## As any Building Owner realizes tenant use of space heaters can be a risky proposition:

- Turn off space heaters when you leave the room, home, or go to bed.
- Do not leave space heaters unattended.
- Only use equipment that has the Underwriters Laboratories (UL) mark which shows that the product has been safety tested.
- Turn off the space heater if the cord becomes hot.
- Plug space heaters directly into the socket instead of into an extension cord.
- Place the heater on the level floor and never on a countertop or on furniture.

## Building Owners can encourage Tenants to help keep apartments comfortable this winter:

- Keep your windows fully closed.
- Consider removing your window air conditioner or covering it.
- Move furniture away from radiators or baseboards to keep the air moving freely.
- Open the hand valve on your radiator. Turn the knob to the left to open it (more heat) and to the right to close it (less heat).
- Lower your blinds or draw your curtains at night.
- Keep hallway and stairwell windows closed.

**IF YOU ARE HAVING AN ISSUE WITH HEAT OR HOT WATER, GIVE EAST COAST MECHANICAL A CALL!!**

This information was taken from [WWW.NYC.GOV https://www1.nyc.gov/site/nycha/residents/heating.page](https://www1.nyc.gov/site/nycha/residents/heating.page)

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