

What types of housing discrimination are prohibited?

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Elimination of unlawful housing discrimination and promotion of decent and affordable housing through advocacy and education.

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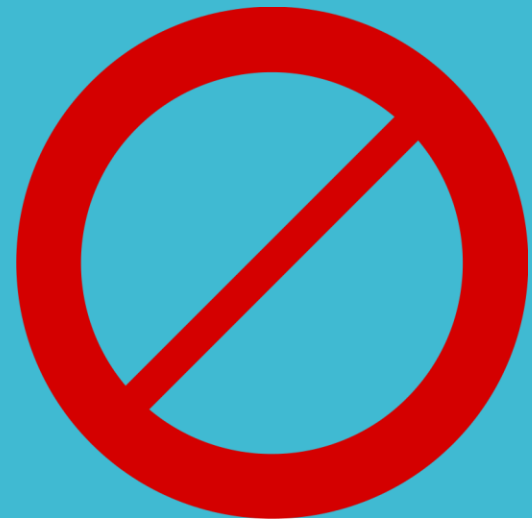
Discriminatory Harassment

Prohibited
practices

Sexual (gender), racial, ethnic, religious, disability or familial status harassment by the owner, employees of owner, the management company, employees of the management company, or other tenants.



Prohibited practices: Disability



- Refusal to make reasonable accommodations
- Refusal to allow for reasonable modifications



Prohibited practices



- refusal to rent or sell
- refusal to negotiate
- making housing unavailable
- denying a dwelling
- falsely denying housing availability for inspection, rental or sale



Prohibited practices



- Discriminatory advertising
- Discriminatory terms and conditions
- Discriminatory lending practices
- Discriminatory harassment



Prohibited practices



Blockbusting

Persuade owners to sell or rent for profit by telling them that persons of a particular race, color, national origin, sex, familial status, religion or disability are moving into the neighborhood.



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Redlining

Unwillingness to lend to applicants or borrowers in particular neighborhoods or geographic regions



Prohibited practices



Reverse Redlining

Targeting people in certain geographic areas for disadvantageous or abusive loan terms and conditions



Prohibited practices



Steering

Directing prospective home buyers or tenants to neighborhoods or buildings based on their protected category



Prohibited Practices



Retaliation

**Coercion,
intimidation, threats
and interference**

- Against persons who have exercised their Fair Housing rights
- Against persons who have acted as a witness or aided others to exercise their Fair Housing rights



Examples: Discriminatory Statements:

“I don’t think it’s safe for you to live here because of your disability.”



“I don’t rent to families with children.”

“I won’t rent a one-bedroom apartment to parent and child.”

“I don’t rent to African Americans, Hispanics, Jews etc.”

“I don’t want foreigners living in my complex.”

“It’s not safe for young children because there are stairs.”



Prohibited practices



Examples: Unlawful Terms and Conditions

- Applying different standards and rules related to eviction, attempted eviction or non-renewal of a lease
- Treating tenants differently in relation to repairs, lease violation notices and late fees

How Do You Protect Your Fair Housing Rights?

Anyone who believes he or she has been discriminated against can file a complaint.

If you want to discuss options,
or obtain help from a professional Fair Housing advocate...

Contact ***Long Island Housing Services, Inc.***

(631) 567-5111 ext. 375

info@LIFairHousing.org

Si usted cree que ha sido discriminado al buscar vivienda, llame a Long Island Housing Services al 631-567-5111 ext. 378 para hablar con un investigador o defensor de vivienda justa capacitado. También puede enviar un correo electrónico a info@LIFairHousing.org.



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Nassau County Commission
on Human Rights
240 Old County Road
Mineola, NY 11501
(516) 571-3662

New York State

N.Y. State Division of Human Rights
One Fordham Plaza, 4th Floor
Bronx, NY 10458
1-888-392-3644

Suffolk County

Suffolk County
Human Rights Commission
100 Veterans Memorial Highway Suite #1
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