



Legal Alert: Rent Transparency Act, Mandatory Signage Requirement Effective January 2026

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Local Law 86 of 2025 (the Rent Transparency Act) requires all New York City buildings containing one or more rent-stabilized units to post bilingual (English and Spanish) signage in a conspicuous common area near the entrance. The notice must indicate the building's rent-stabilized status, provide tenants with DHCR contact information to verify their unit, and state that annual rent stabilization registrations must be filed.

Owners who fail to comply may be subject to civil penalties under the NYC Administrative Code. Enforcement will be overseen by the Department of Housing Preservation and Development (HPD), primarily through tenant complaints and routine inspections.

HPD has issued a standardized version of the required signage, which is available [here](#).
The posting of this signage is required by January 26, 2026.

Owners are advised to review their portfolios, confirm which buildings contain rent-stabilized units, ensure all DHCR filings are current, and post the required signage.