

Department of Health and Social Services Environmental Inspections Division

Minimum Housing Requirements

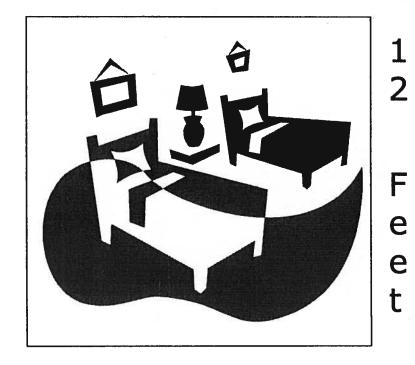




Minimum Temperature 65°F

Overcrowding

- o Bedrooms must have
 - 70 square feet for the first occupant
 - 50 square feet for each additional occupant



10 feet

Ceiling Height



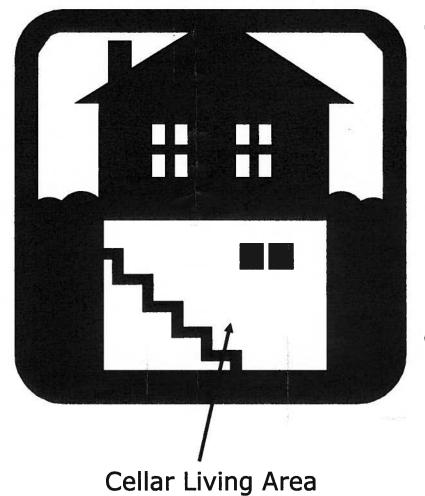
- At least half the room must have a ceiling height of at least 7 feet
- Any part of a room with a ceiling height of less then 5 feet is not considered in sizing for occupancy rate

Light and Ventilation



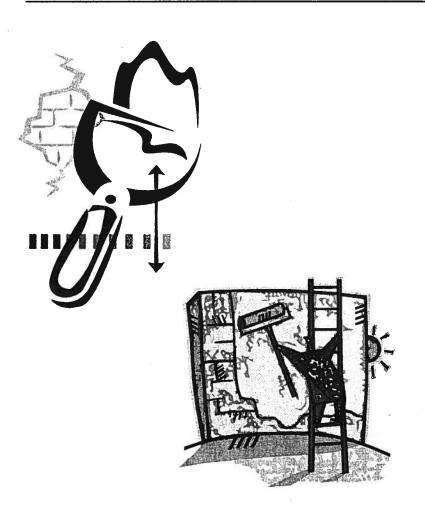
- Every habitable room must have at least 1 window or skylight that can be opened for ventilation
- Bathrooms and kitchens are exempt if they have a mechanical form of ventilation

Cellars



- A cellar is defined as any portion of a building located partly or wholly underground having half or more of its clear height (floor to ceiling) below the average grade of the adjoining ground
- IT IS ILLEGAL TO LIVE IN CELLARS IN STAMFORD



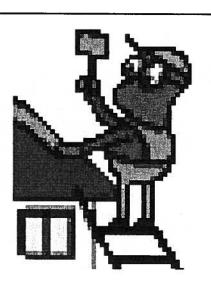


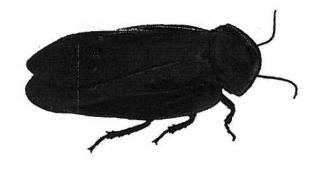
- No loose, flaking, and/or chipping paint
- No holes or large cracks in the walls, ceilings, or floors



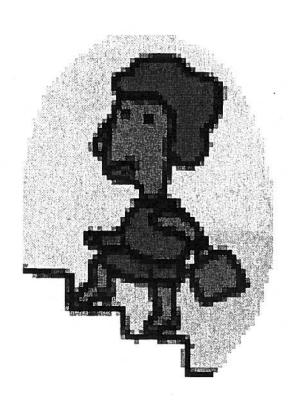
- Weathertight, water-tight, rodent proof foundations
- Roof free from leaks
- Dwelling unit free of insect and rodent infestations





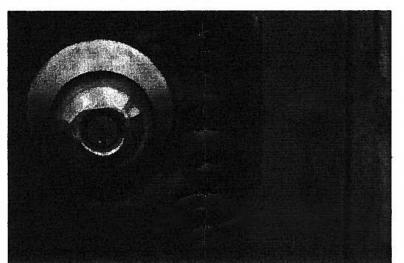


Housing Violations

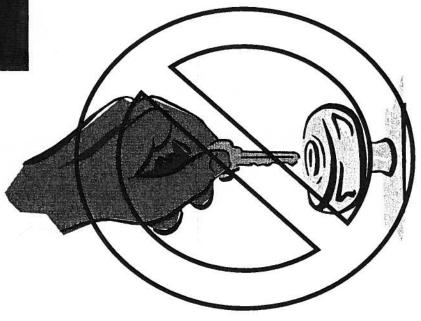


- Handrails on all stairs having 4 or more risers
- Spaces between the guardrails
- Safe and nonhazardous stairs

Housing Violations



 Keylocks are not permitted on bedroom doors in Stamford



Housing Violations



- All owner supplied appliances should be in working order
- Trash and rubbish should be removed on a regular basis

Any Questions...



Call 977-1500 to report a housing complaint or 977-4363 to report a housing violation complaint