

Visitors to New York City are Protected from Discrimination



The New York City Human Rights Law protects everyone – **including visitors and tourists** – the right to enjoy the City free from hate, bias, and discrimination.

NYC has one of the strongest anti-discrimination laws in the country, with over 25 different categories. These protections ensure that you are treated with dignity and respect while in New York City.

Where do protections apply?

The law protects you in many places you might use or visit, including:

- Hotels, hostels, school campuses, and short-term rentals
- Businesses, stores, and service providers
- Taxis and public transportation

What are examples of discrimination?

- A hotel guest using a service animal is told that pets aren't allowed inside.
- A traveler is told they cannot join a sightseeing tour because they use a mobility device and “the device takes up space”.
- A taxi driver makes offensive comments to a person because of their religious attire and refuses to pick them up.

Everyone in New York City, including visitors and tourists, have the right to enjoy the City free from hate, bias, and discrimination - no matter how long you are here. Learn more at www.NYC.gov/VisitingNYC