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## 2026 NYC Overlay Criterion 5.2b Building Performance: Rehabilitation Prescriptive Path

**Eligibility:** Buildings undergoing rehabilitation for which:

- No dwelling unit will be out of service for more than thirty (30) consecutive days during construction.
- The roof assembly will meet the prescriptive R-value requirements of the current New York City Energy Conservation Code (NYCECC).
- All fenestrations will meet the prescriptive U-factor and Solar Heat Gain Coefficient (SHGC) requirements of the current NYCECC.

**Requirements:** Implement 2026 Criterion 5.2b, with the following modifications:

- **Select a compliance option:** rather than demonstrating energy efficiency through the Energy Rating Index (ERI) or the ASHRAE modeling option, ensure the following:
  - New space heating and cooling systems and new domestic hot water systems will meet the performance requirements of the applicable New York City agency's Design Guidelines.
- **Ensure airtight performance:** rather than meet an air infiltration performance target, implement compartmentalization between adjacent spaces, including between all apartment units and between conditioned spaces and unconditioned spaces. Comprehensive air sealing between these spaces will include weatherstripping, gasketing and/or sealing at:
  - windows and exterior door perimeters;
  - window/wall air-conditioning units;
  - PTAC and PTHP units;
  - roof curbs and roof joints;
  - exterior wall and roof penetrations;
  - piping and conduit penetrations;
  - all other penetrations between conditioned and unconditioned spaces and between dwelling units.

Compliance shall be verified by visual inspection. Sampling for visual inspection is permitted in alignment with Criterion 5.2b, Building Performance: Rehabilitation.