



**Important Notice
for RRHA LANDLORDS
Regarding
HOUSING QUALITY STANDARDS
INSPECTIONS**

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According to the National Fire Safety code, **double-keyed dead bolt locks are identified as a fire safety hazard** when installed on doors that exit to the exterior. It is found during the event of a fire a person may become disoriented and this type of locking system may prevent them from escaping, causing them to become victim to a fire.

The BOCA National Fire Prevention Code § Section F-608.0 EGRESS DOORS F-608.1, F-608.2 states:

(F-608.1 Openable: All means of egress doors shall be readily openable from the side from which egress is to be made without a key, special knowledge or effort at all times the structure or area severed is occupied.)

Effective immediately, all double-keyed cylinder dead bolt locks must be removed from all doors that open and exit to the exterior to be in compliance with the US Department of Housing and Urban Development Housing Quality Standards.



NOT ACCEPTABLE



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Thank you for your attention and compliance to this important matter.