

Fact Sheet

Emergency Repairs

Most exterior work requires an LPC permit, but there are emergency repairs you can do without a permit. Below you will find a list of emergency repairs that do not require a permit.

If you have an emergency and need to make repairs not listed below, please contact LPC at info@lpc.nyc.gov or call **212-669-7817** and you will be connected to a staff preservationist that day who can guide you and help you make a plan for immediate and future work.

No permit required for the following emergency repairs:

- Temporarily boarding up windows and doors to prevent possible damage (i.e. due to hurricanes, vandalism, etc.) or to secure damaged windows and doors prior to making repairs
- Removing broken or dislodged façade elements that pose an immediate threat to occupants or the public (Note: historic architectural features should be salvaged and saved on site for repair or replication, and LPC staff should be immediately notified to assist you in applying for permanent repairs)
- Installing tarps or protective coverings at holes in walls or roofs (i.e. damage from fallen trees, fire, structural collapse, etc.)
- Replacing broken glass in kind
- Replacing broken window and door hardware
- Replacing broken or damaged gutters and leaders in kind
- Repainting or “touching-up” painted surfaces in kind
- Cleaning sidewalks, storefronts and façade elements with low-pressure water washing.