

New York State Window Tint Law

New York Tint Law Enacted: 1991 (modified 7/19/07) :
Chapter 775, Title III, Article 9, Section 375, Subdivision 12-16



HOW DARK CAN WINDOW TINT BE IN NEW YORK?

Darkness of tint is measured by Visible Light Transmission percentage (VLT%). In New York State, this percentage refers to visible light allowed in through the combination of film and the window itself.

Windshield	Non-reflective tint is allowed on the top 6 inches of the windshield.
Front Side Windows	Must allow more than 70% of light in.
Back Side Windows	Must allow more than 70% of light in. (SUV's and trucks are exempt from this law)
Rear Window	Any darkness can be used.

HOW REFLECTIVE CAN THE TINT BE IN NEW YORK STATE?

Similar to sunglass lenses, tint may contain metallic elements that help in reflecting incoming light while reducing glare and heat generated by visible light.

Front Side Windows	Reflectivity NOT regulated.
Back Side Windows	Reflectivity NOT regulated.

OTHER NEW YORK RULES AND REGULATIONS

Restricted Colors	Not specified.
Side Mirrors	Dual side mirrors are required if back window is tinted.
Certificate Requirements	Manufacturers of film do NOT need to certify the film they sell in the state.
Sticker Requirements	The sticker to identify legal tinting is required between the film & glass on each tinted window.
Medical Exemption	State allows medical exemptions for special tint. For more details about the specific terms of the exemption, consult your state law.

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