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## Stores Across State Must Accept Cash Payments ?? Face Fines

### Description

Starting Saturday, stores in New York must accept cash payments.

The new law starts on March 21. All food stores and shops in the state must take cash for items and services. The law also says businesses cannot charge more for cash payments.

Attorney General Letitia James said this law is important. She said all New Yorkers have the right to pay how they want. They should not be denied access to things they need, like food and clothes, just because they pay in cash.

Bayport Flower Houses is a business that sells flowers. The manager, Amy Auwaerter, said they already accept cash. They are ready for the new law.

The law applies to restaurants and bars too. There are some exceptions. Stores do not have to accept bills over \$20. They only need to take cash in person.

Customers can report stores that do not follow this law. The state can fine (penalise) stores that break the rules. Fines can be up to \$1,000 for the first time and \$1,500 for later offences.

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### Vocabulary List:

1. **accept** //ək'sept// (verb): to take something someone offers you
2. **payments** //ˈpeɪmənts// (noun): money given for goods or services
3. **access** //æk.ses// (noun): the ability to use or reach something
4. **denied** //dɪ'naɪd// (verb): not allowed to have or use something
5. **exceptions** //ɪk'seɪʃənz// (noun): things not included in a general rule
6. **fine** //faɪn// (verb): to make someone pay money as punishment

### Comprehension Questions

#### Multiple Choice

1. When does the new law requiring stores in New York to accept cash payments start?

Option: March 1



- Option: March 15
- Option: March 21
- Option: April 1

2. What types of businesses must accept cash according to the new law?

- Option: Only restaurants
- Option: Only flower shops
- Option: All food stores and shops
- Option: Only clothing stores

3. What is the maximum fine for stores that break the cash acceptance rules for the first time?

- Option: \$500
- Option: \$1,000
- Option: \$1,500
- Option: \$2,000

4. Who is the Attorney General who commented on the importance of the cash payment law?

- Option: Letitia James
- Option: Andrew Cuomo
- Option: Bill de Blasio
- Option: Kathy Hochul

5. What is the maximum bill amount that stores are not required to accept in cash?

- Option: \$10
- Option: \$20
- Option: \$50
- Option: \$100

6. Which business mentioned is already accepting cash payments?

- Option: Bayport Flower Houses
- Option: Joe's Diner
- Option: NYC Grocery
- Option: Central Park Cafe

### True-False

7. The law applies only to food stores and excludes clothing shops.



8. Customers can report stores that do not comply with the cash acceptance law.
9. Fines for violating the cash acceptance law can be as high as \$1,500 for the first offence.
10. The law states that businesses cannot charge more for cash payments.
11. Amy Auwaerter is the manager of a cash-only business.
12. All stores must accept cash payments in person according to the law.

### Gap-Fill

13. Starting Saturday, stores in New York must accept cash payments beginning on \_\_\_\_\_.
14. Attorney General Letitia James stated that all New Yorkers have the right to pay how they \_\_\_\_\_.
15. Fines for a violation can be up to \$1,000 for the \_\_\_\_\_ time.
16. The law requires all food stores and shops in the state to accept \_\_\_\_\_.
17. Stores do not have to accept bills over \_\_\_\_\_.
18. Bayport Flower Houses, managed by Amy Auwaerter, stated they are ready for the new \_\_\_\_\_.

### Answer

**Multiple Choice:** 1. March 21 2. All food stores and shops 3. \$1,000 4. Letitia James 5. \$20 6. Bayport Flower Houses

**True-False:** 7. False 8. True 9. False 10. True 11. False 12. True

**Gap-Fill:** 13. March 21 14. want 15. first 16. cash 17. \$20 18. law

### Vocabulary quizzes



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**Multiple Choice ( Select the Correct answer for each question. )**

1. What is typically sold at a dealership?  
Option: Food  
Option: Cars  
Option: Clothing  
Option: Electronics
  
2. What is the primary role of a negotiator?  
Option: To design products  
Option: To mediate discussions  
Option: To create advertisements  
Option: To manage finances
  
3. What does a new regulation typically aim to improve?  
Option: Economy  
Option: Social Media  
Option: Compliance  
Option: Advertising
  
4. What does a lawsuit represent?  
Option: A protest  
Option: A legal dispute  
Option: A financial transaction  
Option: An event
  
5. Who are shareholders in a company?  
Option: Customers  
Option: Employees  
Option: Investors  
Option: Competitors
  
6. What do tariffs typically affect?  
Option: Production costs  
Option: Employee salaries  
Option: Market trends  
Option: Competition levels
  
7. What is typically measured in a performance review?  
Option: Attendance  
Option: Skills  
Option: Productivity

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Option: All of the above

8. What is a common result of increased production?

Option: Higher costs

Option: Job layoffs

Option: More goods available

Option: Less revenue

9. What type of vehicle is a crossover?

Option: Sedan

Option: SUV

Option: Truck

Option: Motorcycle

10. What is the main duty of a spokesperson?

Option: To do accounting

Option: To represent an organization

Option: To develop products

Option: To analyze data

**Gap-Fill ( Fill in the blanks with the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

11. The negotiator felt he was \_\_\_\_\_ when they dismissed his proposal.

12. The agreement was finally \_\_\_\_\_ by both parties after lengthy discussions.

13. Her comments during the meeting were seen as \_\_\_\_\_ by her colleagues.

14. Employees were granted \_\_\_\_\_ to the new online portal for resources.

15. The request for additional funding was \_\_\_\_\_.

16. There are a few \_\_\_\_\_ to the standard rules for this project.

17. The company had to pay a hefty \_\_\_\_\_ due to regulatory violations.

18. Due to financial issues, several employees were \_\_\_\_\_ last month.

19. The organization is looking to \_\_\_\_\_ in new technologies.

20. The board must \_\_\_\_\_ on the allocation of resources.



**Matching Sentences ( Match each definition to the correct word from the vocabulary list. )**

21. The company announced its new product lineup at the trade show.
22. The research indicated a clear bias in the survey results.
23. The company was found to have operated illegally for several years.
24. The chancellor addressed the students during the graduation ceremony.
25. Customers can make monthly payments toward their car loans.
26. A crossover vehicle typically combines features of both cars and SUVs.
27. A sedan is generally known for its four-door configuration and spacious interior.
28. Many employees were laid off during the economic downturn.
29. Shareholders are individuals or institutions that own shares in a company.
30. The annual performance review assesses each employee's contributions and achievements.

**Answer**

**Multiple Choice:** 1. Cars 2. To mediate discussions 3. Compliance 4. A legal dispute 5. Investors 6. Production costs 7. All of the above 8. More goods available 9. SUV 10. To represent an organization

**Gap-Fill:** 11. doubted 12. confirmed 13. disrespectful 14. access 15. denied 16. exceptions 17. fine 18. laid off 19. invest 20. decide

**Matching sentence:** 1. announced 2. bias 3. illegally 4. chancellor 5. payments 6. crossover 7. sedan 8. laid off 9. shareholders 10. performance

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