



Application Form

Directions: This form is to be completed by garment cleaners applying to become members of the New York Green Business (NYGB) program. This program is voluntary. There is no cost to apply or participate. For more information regarding NYGB program requirements, refer to the NYGB Garment Cleaner Guidance. Contact the Pollution Prevention Unit at nygb@dec.ny.gov or 518-402-9469 with any questions.

Completed applications must have an original or electronic signature by the garment cleaner owner or authorized party. Submit application to nygb@dec.ny.gov. A confirmation email will be provided.

Section A: Garment Cleaner Information:

Name of Garment Cleaner

Street Address

City

State

Zip Code

Contact Person's Name

Contact Person's Phone

Contact Person's Email

Garment Cleaner Website (or Facebook page)

Mailing Address (if different from street address)

How did you hear about NYGB?

Section B: Background Information:

1. Please provide a brief description and history of the garment cleaner: (include information on size of the business, services provided, and the community/neighborhood it is located in)

2. Please provide a brief description and history of the garment cleaner's sustainability program and related initiatives: (include information on how the program began, what impact areas it covers, results from the program, awards or honors won, previous and ongoing projects, participation in charitable work or donations, etc.)

Section C: Commitment to Compliance

To become a member of NYGB a garment cleaner must demonstrate a commitment to compliance with all applicable federal, state, local and tribal laws and requirements. Garment Cleaners applying to become members of NYGB must also meet the basic compliance standards for entrance to NYGB, which can be found in the [NYGB Guidance](#).

In addition, the Department of Environmental Conservation (DEC) will conduct a compliance screening on all applicants via the process outlined in the NYGB Guidance to ensure that applicants meet the NYGB compliance standards.

This garment cleaner is in compliance with all applicable federal, state, local, and tribal laws and regulations and commits to ensuring that it stays in compliance while a member of NYGB.

If you are currently not in compliance, and still believe that you meet the basic compliance standard for NYGB, please discuss your situation below:

Section D: Garment Cleaning Process Requirements

Note: Garment cleaners in NYGB must meet all of the requirements below to become a member of NYGB. More information on these requirements can be found in the NYGB Garment Cleaner Guidance. *Please check the box below each requirement* to affirm that the garment cleaner meets the following requirements and fill in any required responses below.

I certify that this garment cleaner:

1. Does NOT use any perchloroethylene (perc) in its business.

2. Either (chose one):

A. Only uses professional wet cleaning methods.

OR

B. Has greater than 25% of its business value be professional wet cleaning; and uses a [DEC approved alternative solvent](#) for its dry cleaning.

If B., please list the percentage of the garment cleaner's business by sales value that is professional wet cleaning. Also provide the approved alternative solvent used in the dry cleaning equipment.

3. Does not use perchloroethylene (perc), trichloroethane (TCE), or n-propyl bromide (nPB) for spot cleaning.

Section E: Other Requirements

Note: Garment cleaners must meet all of the requirements below to become a member of NYGB. More information on these requirements may be found in the NYGB Garment Cleaner Guidance. *Please check off the box under each requirement* to affirm that the garment cleaner meets it and complete any required responses in the text box.

I certify that this garment cleaner:

1. Has a written sustainability statement that communicates its commitment to sustainability.

Please enter your sustainability statement below:

2. Has a system in place to track the following:

• Electricity Usage • Water Usage • Gas Usage • Waste Generation • Solvent Recovery/ Recycling

3. Recycles the following items:

• Plastics • Paper/cardboard • Glass • Metals • Electronics • Ink Cartridges • All other items required by law

4. Effectively communicates its sustainability commitment to its customers and employees, including providing training on sustainability initiatives to employees and gathering program feedback.

Please describe your sustainability communications and employee training below:

Section G: Application and Commitment Statement

- I have read and agree to the terms and conditions for application and participation in the NYGB program, as specified in the NYGB Garment Cleaner Guidance and the NYGB Guidance.
- I have personally examined and am familiar with the information contained in this application. The information contained in this application is, to the best of my knowledge and based on reasonable inquiry, true, accurate, and complete.
- Based on the foregoing compliance assessment and subsequent corrective actions (if any were necessary), this garment cleaner is, to the best of my knowledge and based on reasonable inquiry, currently in compliance with applicable federal, state, local, and tribal requirements.
- I understand that this application does not guarantee acceptance into the NYGB program and is contingent upon DEC approval of the application and potential verification visit by NYGB staff.
- I understand that verification of the requirements for entry will be conducted during an on-site visit by NYGB staff if the garment cleaner is accepted into the NYGB program.
- I am the owner or authorized facility signatory, and am fully authorized to execute this statement on behalf of the garment cleaner that is applying to this program.

Applicant Signature

Print Name:

Signature:

Title:

Date: