

# **SERVICE NOTICE**

# Updates to Elevator Inspections in DOB NOW: Safety

DOB NOW: Safety will be updated January 24, 2022 to incorporate changes to elevator inspection and test requirements.

# **Key Updates for Reporting Year 2022 & Later**

#### Periodic Inspections

- Periodic inspections must be performed by an approved Elevator Agency and submitted through DOB NOW:
  Safety (was previously performed by a contracted inspection agency on behalf of DOB).
- The inspection company cannot be the same as the owner's maintenance company.
  - The Elevator Agency Inspector must provide the eFiling account email address of the maintenance company's director, who will then be able to view the inspection report detail.
- Filing fee will be \$30.
- 14 days to file after inspection date.
  - Late filings will incur a \$150 late penalty for every 30-day period after the due date.
    NOTE: Late penalties will be waived for reports with inspection dates from January 1 through January 21, 2022 when the system was not available.
  - Inspection date must be at least 90 days from the initial inspection date of an accepted Cat 1 test or periodic inspection.
  - Filings not submitted by January 14 of the following year will not be accepted and failure to file violations will be issued.
  - o Any late penalties will have to be paid at time of filing.

#### Category Tests

- 21 days to file after inspection date (was previously 60 days)
  - Late filings will incur a late penalty for every 30-day period after the due date (was previously assessed per calendar month).
    - NOTE: Late penalties will be waived for reports with inspection dates from January 1 through January 21, 2022 when the system was not available.
  - Cat 1 Tests: Inspection date must be at least 6 months from the initial inspection date of another Cat 1 test and at least 90 days from the initial inspection date of any periodic inspection.
  - Cat 1 Tests: Filings not submitted by January 21 of the following year will not be accepted and failure to file violations will be issued.
  - Cat 5 Tests: Filings not submitted by the 21<sup>st</sup> day of the month following the five-year anniversary will not be accepted and failure to file violations will be issued.

# Affirmation of Corrections - Periodic Inspections & Category 1 Tests

- 90 days to correct and inspect after initial inspection date (was previously 180 days for Category 1 tests).
  - o Filing fee will be \$40.
  - o Late filings will incur a late penalty for every 30-day period.



- 14 days to file after the affirmation of correction inspection date, otherwise inspection must be redone.
- Extension Requests may be granted (for Category 1 tests only)
  - o Up to two 45-day extension requests may be submitted.
  - o First request must be filed within 90 days of initial inspection date.
  - o Second request must be filed before the end of the first extension request.
  - o No fee for extension requests at onset but a fee may be charged in the future.

#### **Test Notifications**

Must be submitted five days prior to test (was previously ten days prior).

# **Additional Information**

- Periodic Elevator Inspections Must be Performed by Approved Agency on Behalf of Owner Service Notice (November 30, 2021)
- New Requirements for Category Testing of Elevators Service Notice (December 30, 2021)

#### **Question & Answer Session**

DOB will conduct an online **Q&A Session** specific to Elevator Compliance Filings. To sign up, visit the **Upcoming Events** page at **www.nyc.gov/dobevents**.

### **DOB NOW Inquiries & Support**

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