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# Photoluminescent Requirements - Deadline for Compliance: July 1, 2006

On Sunday, June 4, 2006, the Department of Buildings Executive Architect James P. Colgate, RA, Esq., gave a presentation at the National Fire Protection Association's (NFPA) World Safety Conference and Expo. Mr. Colgate's presentation to fire protection engineers, code officials and other conference attendees focused on the new photoluminescent regulations established in New York City as <a href="Local Law 26 of 2004">Local Law 26 of 2004</a>. Photoluminescent markings must be installed in the emergency stairwells of high rise office buildings throughout the five boroughs of New York City.



To learn more about <u>photoluminescent</u> regulations, view Mr. Colgate's <u>presentation</u> (1,540 kb-pdf) and the <u>Frequently Asked Questions</u> for installing approved materials.

## **Air Conditioner Installation Tips**

Summer is almost here and that means that it's air conditioner season. The Department of Buildings is concerned about the safety of New York City's 950,000 buildings, and wants to make sure that these appliances are installed securely. We recommend that you follow the manufacturer's instructions when installing a window air conditioner. A precariously installed device may present a danger to the public and can result in a violation to the building for allowing an unsafe condition. See our <u>air conditioner installation tips</u> for more information.

# **Construction Inspection Appointments Can Now Be Submitted Online**

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### **Elevator Waivers Can Now Be Obtained in All Five Boroughs**

You no longer need to come to the Central Inspections Unit (at 280 Broadway in Manhattan) to obtain an elevator waiver. Now, you can receive an elevator waiver at the borough office where the initial job was filed. Read the <u>service announcement</u> (37 kb-pdf) to get more information.

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