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What's New?

New Alternative Filing Program and Workshop for LL 11/98 - Facades



The [Local Law 11/98 \(LL 11/98\) Facade Inspection](#) deadline is February 21, 2007. Owners of buildings over six stories in height must comply with LL 11/98 and have their buildings inspected and undertake repairs. To make it easier to meet the quickly approaching deadline, the Buildings Department has introduced a new [Alternative Filing Program](#).

Our experts will host a free workshop to discuss the new program and other LL 11/98 requirements on Thursday, September 21st. Reservations are required. View the [flyer](#) (82 kb) for more information and be sure to RSVP.

Minor Variations for Plumbing Fixture Count Don't Require a PAA

The Department of Buildings is unclogging the [Post Approval Amendment \(PAA\)](#) process to make it easier for you to do business with us by allowing minor variations to be made without having to file a revised [Schedule B \(PW-1B\)](#). This overview provides a glimpse of what can be done without filing a PAA. See the [service notice](#) (33 kb-pdf) for more information.

"How to Guides" Available Online for Licensed Trades

"How to Guides" have been created to help applicants better understand how to become a licensed trade professional for [Climber/Tower Crane Rigger](#), [Oil Burning Equipment Installer](#), [Master Rigger](#), [Special Rigger](#), [Stationary Engineer](#), and [Welder](#).

We're always adding new guides to help you navigate our processes, so keep checking for [Licensing Exams and Qualifications](#) information on our website under [Licenses and Renewals](#).

Senior Leadership Team

As part of the ongoing reform efforts to increase transparency, accountability, and efficiency in all Departmental operations, Commissioner Lancaster has built a [senior leadership team](#) that is passionate about New York City's buildings and dedicated to safety. The senior leadership team, along with its own dedicated teams of architects, engineers, inspectors and experts, is constantly working to ensure the safe and lawful use of all of New York City's 950,000 buildings. To learn more about the management of the Department of Buildings, visit the [About the Buildings Department](#) section of our website.

Training & Workshops



Cranes & Derricks Open House - October 13th

The Cranes & Derricks Unit is hosting an informational session on its current operations, the current and proposed construction codes, and the Unit's plans for the future. Our experts will also be on hand to answer your individual questions during this free session. Please make your reservation by October 6th by faxing or emailing the name of the attendee, a number where you can be reached, and any questions you would like to have answered to (212) 566-5871 or candd@buildings.nyc.gov. Read the [flyer](#) (82 kb-pdf) for event details.

Licensing Open House - September 26th

The Department of Buildings' Licensing Unit will be hosting a free public information session to provide a general understanding of licensing requirements, including corporate documents and insurance policies and procedures. Don't miss out on this opportunity and make your reservations today. Read the [flyer](#) (55 kb-pdf) for the RSVP information.

Local Law 11/98 Workshop - September 21st

In an effort to make it easier for you to meet the quickly approaching deadline of Local Law 11/98, the Buildings Department has introduced a new Alternative Filing Program. Our experts will host a free workshop to discuss the specifics of this new program on Thursday, September 21st. Reservations are required and space is limited. Read the [flyer](#) (82 kb-pdf) for event details.

For more training information, visit the [Training & Workshops](#) section of our website under [News and Services - Service Notices](#).

Did You Know?

Did you know that you may be able make changes to PAAs that have not yet been approved without having to file another PAA or pay another \$100 fee? We simplified our filing process to make it easier and faster for you to do business with us by allowing you to amend a PAA without re-filing, provided the change does not alter the scope of work. Read the [fact sheet](#) to find out more on how to make amendments to your PAA.

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