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What's New?

Demolition Filing Process Begins in Borough Offices



The Buildings Department is changing its demolition filing process to standardize it agencywide. Beginning October 30th, you must visit the Borough Office where the property is located to pre-file your demolition job before submitting documentation to the Building Enforcement Safety Team (BEST). Also beginning October 30th, additional required documentation for demolition jobs (B Form 2A or BEST-4) can be e-mailed directly to BEST. View the [service notice](#) (34 kb-pdf) for more information.

New "How to Guides" Available for Licensed Trades

Additional "How to Guides" have been created to help applicants better understand how to become a licensed professional in the following trades: [Portable Engineers](#), [Hoist Machine Operators](#), [Master Sign Hangers](#), and [Special Sign Hangers](#).

Keep checking the [Licensing Exams and Qualifications](#) and the [Licenses and Renewals](#) sections of our website for the latest updates. We're always adding new guides to help you navigate our processes.

Buildings Around Town

Information You Should Know About LL 11/98

On September 21st, the Buildings Department hosted a free workshop to discuss the specific requirements of [Local Law 11/98](#) and the new [Alternative Filing Program](#). If you were unable to attend the workshop, you can view the [Presentation](#) (626 kb-pdf), the [Process Flow](#) (27 kb-pdf), the [Fact Sheet](#) (48 kb-pdf), and the newly added [FAQs](#) (33 kb-pdf) for more information.

Owners of buildings over six stories in height must comply with LL 11/98 and have their buildings inspected and repaired. For more information, visit the [Local Law 11/98 Guide](#) section of our website under [Guides & Publications](#).

Training & Workshops



Cranes & Derricks Open House - November 9th

Because of the enormous response to the Cranes & Derricks Open House, the Unit is opening its doors to another industry information session on November 9th where our experts will be on hand to answer your individual questions. Space is limited and reservations are required. Please make your reservation by November 6th and view the [flyer](#) (40 kb-pdf) for more event details.

Sustainable Energy and Electrical Protection Workshop

On October 27th, the Buildings Department will host a workshop where guest speaker Andrew Topinka, CPMR, President and Founder of Technical Group Services, Inc., will explore ways to decrease operating costs in our existing power distribution system, evaluate power for renewable energy and examine the environmental impact of inefficient power. Reservations are required. View the [flyer](#) (53 kb-pdf) for more information.

New Electrical Application Training

You're invited to attend a free public training session on how to use the new Electrical Application (ED-16A). Join us on Thursday, October 19th to review the various sections of the new application to ensure your electrical application is always accepted.

Time: 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

Location: 280 Broadway, 6th Floor Training Room
New York, NY 10007

The 23rd Professional Technical Forum

On October 26th, the Buildings Department will host the 23rd Professional Technical Forum. This session will provide insight into the understanding of the Landmarks Preservation Commission's rules and procedures. Seating is limited and reservations are required. View the [NYSA flyer](#) (28 kb-pdf) for more information.

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