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## What's New

### Buildings & Consumer Affairs Kick-Off Safe and Fun Summer



On May 17th, the Buildings Department and Department of Consumer Affairs teamed up to send an important message to temporary amusement ride operators, ride owners, and event organizers: all rides at street fairs, block parties, festivals, and carnivals must be licensed by the Department of Consumer Affairs and pass inspection by the Buildings Department prior to operating. Read the [press release](#) for more information or view the [photos](#) from the event.

### Elevator Penalty Increase

Effective June 3, 2007, Environmental Control Board (ECB) penalties for failure to maintain an elevator will be increased. View the [service announcement](#) (24 kb-pdf) for increased penalties.

### New Environmental Control Board (ECB) Fact Sheets

The Department of Buildings is proud to announce that new [Environmental Control Board Resolutions Guides](#) have been created to help you correct ECB violations quickly and efficiently. Each guide provides an individual look on how to correct one of the [Top 25 ECB violations](#). The first four of the series are available online in the [Building Knowledge Series](#) in the [Guides and Publications](#) section of our website under "violations." For additional information on how to cure violations, download our [ECB Reference Guide - Part 1](#) (1, 139 kb).

## Training & Workshops

### NYSA Professional Technical Forum



Join us on Monday, June 4, 2007, for the 26th Professional Technical Forum sponsored by the New York Society of Architects. At this Forum,

Buildings Deputy Commissioner & Chief Code Engineer Fatma Amer, P.E., and Executive Architect James Colgate, R.A., Esq., will lead an introductory presentation of selected sections of the proposed NYC Construction Codes. Reservation requests for the forum must be received by 3:00 p.m. on May 30, 2007. View the [NYSA flyer](#) (31 kb-pdf) for more information.

## **Reminders**

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### **Upcoming Holiday**



The Department of Buildings will be closed on Monday, May 28, 2007, to observe Memorial Day. Visit us online for a complete listing of the [Department's holiday schedule](#).

### **New Standards for Private Road Lighting**

Effective May 21, 2007, plans filed for the installation of "private roads," as defined in the Zoning Resolution, in any zoning district must meet new standards. These new requirements do not apply retroactively and will be applicable only to those applications for which plan approvals have not been issued for the installation of the private roads. View the [service announcement](#) (28 kb-pdf) for the new requirements.

## **Did You Know?**

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Did you know that [Local Law 52 of 2005](#) (108 kb-pdf) requires individuals who use, erect, maintain, dismantle, repair or modify a supported scaffold to have a Certificate of Completion in a scaffold safety program? View the updated [fact sheet](#) (31 kb pdf) and [training provider list](#) (26 kb-pdf) for additional providers that have been found in keeping with the intent of the law. For more information, view the [frequently asked questions](#).

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