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## What's New

### Construction Superintendent Requirement Begins in January



Beginning January 2, 2008, all permit applications for New Building and Demolitions for buildings up to and including 14 stories will require a registered Construction Superintendent to be listed on the new PW-2 form. Announced in May, this new safety [requirement](#) (89 kb-pdf) will further ensure construction sites are supervised by qualified individuals with the appropriate

knowledge of construction and risk prevention. This registration requirement will not go into effect for permit applications for one-, two- and three-family homes until July 2008. To learn more, view the Construction Superintendent [fact sheet](#) (45 kb-pdf) and the [new PW-2](#) (152 kb-pdf) form.

### Effective Dates for the New Codes

Information You Need To Know



The [New NYC Construction Codes](#), comprised of the new [Building Code](#), [Mechanical Code](#), [Fuel Gas Code](#), [Plumbing Code](#), become effective July 1, 2008. Professionals will have the option to use either the [1968 Building Code](#) or the [New NYC Construction Codes](#) until July 1, 2009, when the New Codes will be mandated for all new construction. Administrative provisions, such as the new violation classification and special inspections,

will be mandated on July 1, 2008. For more information, visit the new [NYC Construction Codes](#) section of our website.

## Window Hours Extended for Electrical License Renewals

### Making It Easier

To make it easier for you to do business with us, the Licensing Window has extended its hours from 9:00am to 3:00pm through December to facilitate [Electrical License](#) renewals. The window will be open exclusively to those renewing their electrical licenses from 1:00pm to 3:00pm. Regular window hours from 9:00am to 1:00pm will resume January 2, 2008.

## Buildings Around Town

### Buildings Commissioner to Speak at USGBC "Greening the Codes"

On December 17, 2007, Buildings Commissioner Patricia J. Lancaster, FAIA, and Assistant Commissioner for Strategic Planning & Implementation Benjamin Jones will speak at the "PlaNYC Greening NYC's Building Code" event hosted by the United States Green Building Council. At the event, Commissioner Lancaster and Deputy Mayor Daniel Doctoroff will discuss [PlaNYC](#) and the City's plan for greening NYC's Building Code. The [New York Chapter](#) of the [US Green Building Council](#) was established to encourage energy-efficient and environmentally-responsible buildings. Visit our [website](#) to learn more about how the New Codes promote green building. Click [here](#) to view more information about the event or to learn how to register.

## Reminder

### Excavation Notification Requirement

#### Dedicated to Safety

To ensure excavation work is performed in a safe and compliant manner, [Rule 52](#) (38 kb-pdf) requires all contractors with permits for earthwork to notify the Buildings Department of the date and time of the earthwork within 24 to 48 hours prior by calling (212) 393-2550. For more information, view the Earthwork Notification [fact sheet](#) (53 kb-pdf).

### Making Corrections to B-SCAN Documents

#### Information You Need To Know



If you would like to correct a document that has been electronically processed and scanned via the Buildings Scan and Capture Application Network ([B-SCAN](#)), you simply print the document from [BISWeb](#), circle and initial the change being made and return the updated form to a representative. The printed document that has been corrected does not require a new barcode sticker.

## Did You Know?



Did you know that you can find monthly [job application](#) and [permit](#) reports on our website? These reports allow website visitors to search for recent construction activity in their neighborhood. The Department's [My Community](#) searchable online database also allows visitors to view all New Building, Major Alteration and Full Demolition job applications in your neighborhood.

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