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What's New

Upcoming Changes & Important Dates for the New Codes



Upcoming Changes & Important Operational Dates

With the implementation of the New NYC Construction Codes, several important dates for Pre-Filing and Application Processing are approaching:

Thursday, June 26

This is the last day applicants can submit new applications prepared using the prior forms. This

applies to all initial and subsequent filings and Post-Approval Amendments and includes applications prepared using [eFiling](#). All application documents needed for Application Processing, including payment of all fees due at that time, must also be submitted by the close of business on June 26.

Friday, June 27

The borough offices will not accept new applications on Friday, June 27. Only submissions to change existing, open BIS job documents will be accepted. Pre-Filing will not be available. All other borough operations will continue as normal on this day.

Monday, June 30

Beginning Monday, June 30, only the new forms and eFiling paperwork validated and printed on or after June 30 will be accepted. This applies to all initial and subsequent applications.

To learn more, view the Code Implementation for Applications [service announcement](#) (26 kb-pdf), the eFiling Changes and Important, Operational Dates [fact sheet](#) (61 kb-pdf) and [letter](#) (66 kb-pdf), the Filing Amendments Beginning June 30 [fact sheet](#) (33 kb-pdf), and the Construction Codes Borough [packet](#) (833 kb-pdf).

CityStore to Sell New Codes Books

Information You Need To Know



New York City's [CityStore](#) is now taking orders for the New NYC Construction Codes books. The New Codes consist of four volumes: the 2008 Building Code, the 2008 Plumbing Code, the 2008 Electrical Code and the

2008 Fuel Gas Code. These Codes books will be available mid-July, and you can pre-order copies today. You can also view the [New Codes](#) on our website.

Department Launching New Limited Alteration Application

Information You Need To Know

To implement the New Codes, the Department is launching the [Limited Alterations Application](#) (LAA1) on July 1, which will replace the [Alteration Repair Application](#) (ARA1). To learn more about this change, please view the Limited Alteration Application [fact sheet](#) (25 kb-pdf).

Requirement to Use New PW3 Approaching

Information You Need To Know

To make verifying the cost of any alteration work easier, the Department has revised the [PW3](#) form to capture more detailed construction cost information. Beginning August 4, applicants must submit the revised PW3 during Pre-Filing for all amendments affecting costs before a work permit will be issued or sign off can be obtained. To learn more, view the New PW3 Requirements [service announcement](#) (21 kb-pdf).

Upcoming Update to eFiling Permit Renewal System

Information You Need To Know



To ensure compliance with the [New NYC Construction Codes](#), the [eFiling](#) Permit Renewal system will be updated on June 30 to require that applicants certify any

designee indicated on the permit has not changed. If the associated designee has changed, applicants must file an updated [PW2](#) to renew the permit. To learn more, view the eRenewal Permit Applicant Certifications [service announcement](#) (25 kb-pdf).

Revised Forms Now Online

Information You Need To Know

Beginning June 30, applicants will be required to file a number of new, revised forms, including revised versions of the [PW1](#), [Schedule A](#), [Schedule B](#) and [TR1](#). The new versions of the forms are available for preparation on our website; however, no new forms will be accepted until June 30. Both versions of the TR1 will remain available on our website after July 1, as the appropriate version to use depends upon the application's filing status with the Department. For more information, view the TR1 [service announcement](#) (24 kb-pdf).

Questions About the New Codes?

Making it Easier



To make the transition to the [New NYC Construction Codes](#) easier, representatives with the Department's Call Center are now available from 8am to 4pm, Monday through Friday, to answer general questions and to route specific Codes questions to our technical experts. Call (212) 227-4514 to speak with a representative, or email our Code experts at ConstructionCodes@buildings.nyc.gov.

Code Compass: Tenant Protection Plan

Information You Need To Know



To better protect New York City residents, the New Codes enhance Tenant Protection Plan requirements. Applicants must indicate on the PW1 which units will be occupied during proposed work in occupied, multiple-

dwelling properties, including Single Room Occupancies. In addition, the Tenant Protection Plan must be included in the notes section of the submitted plans. View Section [28-104.8.4](#) of the Administrative Code for more information.

New Requirements for Safety Harness Systems

Dedicated to Safety



The Buildings Department recently issued new requirements for contractors using worker safety harnesses embedded in concrete. The new requirements come after a review of industry practices in response to the fatal fall of a construction worker in April. Please read the [Regulatory Notice](#) (51 kb-pdf) and a [statement](#) from Acting Commissioner LiMandri to learn more about the new requirements.

Two People Indicted and Arrested in Fatal Construction Collapse

Dedicated to Safety

On June 19, professional engineer Abraham Hertzberg was indicted and arrested for allegedly filing fraudulent plans with the Buildings Department in connection with the fatal collapse at 791-793 Glenmore Avenue. Earlier this month, the Buildings Department, the Brooklyn District Attorney and the Department of Investigation announced the indictment of the building owner, William Lattarulo, for his role in the collapse. To learn more about Hertzberg's indictment, read the Brooklyn District Attorney's [press release](#) and a [statement](#) from Acting Commissioner LiMandri. For more information about the indictment of Lattarulo, read the Brooklyn District Attorney's [press release](#).

Architect Charged with Filing False Documents

Dedicated to Safety

On June 12, Acting Buildings Commissioner Robert D. LiMandri and Department of Investigation Commissioner Rose Gill Hearn announced administrative charges were filed

against licensed architect Robert Scarano, alleging that he made false or misleading statements on applications submitted to the Buildings Department in connection with two new buildings in Brooklyn. These charges are the result of a partnership between the Buildings Department and the Department of Investigation to identify and build cases against repeat offenders who flout building and zoning regulations. To learn more, view the [press release](#).

Buildings Around Town

BuildingsNY 2008 Convention



On June 17, Acting Commissioner LiMandri delivered the keynote address at the [BuildingsNY](#) 2008 Convention, hosted by the [Associated Builders and Owners of Greater New York](#) and held at the Jacob K. Javits Center. BuildingsNY is a two-day series of educational seminars and speakers to provide industry professionals with more information about products and services for buildings and facilities. View [photos](#) from the event.

Site Safety Presentation



On June 19, Buildings Department site safety experts participated in a proactive outreach program to discuss new NYC Building Code provisions and rules relative to construction site safety. OTCR Deputy Director Gus Sirakis, PE, Licensing Director Danielle Grillo, Scaffold Safety Team Administrative Chief Ed Curtis and BEST Squad Assistant Chief Andrey Vishev delivered

presentations on construction safety and answered questions about safety and the New NYC Construction Codes. To learn more, view [photos](#) from the program.

Did You Know?

Did you know that under the [New NYC Construction Codes](#), any initial or renewal application for a [Place of Assembly Permit](#) will be issued as a Place of Assembly Certificate of Operation? Beginning July 1, the Department will only accept the revised [PA1](#). This revised version of the form is now available on our website. Visit the [NYC Construction Codes](#) section of our website for more information on [upcoming operational changes](#) with the implementation of the New Codes.

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