

**DO**

- ✔ **Pre-Project.** Hire a Registered Design Professional, a Professional Engineer (P.E.) or Registered Architect (R.A.), to ensure your project is Code-compliant.
- ✔ **Initial Survey.** A site survey showing all existing conditions prepared by a NYS licensed Land Surveyor.
- ✔ **Boring or Test Pit, and Soil Percolation Test.** If performing a horizontal enlargement, hire a licensed professional to perform the work.
- ✔ **Project Plans.** Only a Registered Design Professional can submit construction documents, including drawings and other submissions, to the Department for approval.
- ✔ **Asbestos Investigation.** Have asbestos investigation performed on site to check for Asbestos Containing Material (ACM) that will be removed or disturbed.
- ✔ **Project Work.** Hire a Licensed/Registered General Contractor to perform the work. When [hiring a professional](#), have a written contract that includes the Contractor's company name, address and license number(s).
- ✔ **Required Street Trees.** All new street tree plantings and work on existing street trees shall comply with the current [DPR rules and specifications](#), and shall be coordinated with BPP components such as corners or curb cuts.
- ✔ **Post Permit.** Ensure permit is posted in a conspicuous place at the work site for the duration of the project work.
- ✔ **Work Completion.** Ensure that the contractor has completed DOB inspections and obtained a sign-off to close out the completed work filed under the project permit and, if required, commissioning must be filed with DOB prior to sign-off.
- ✔ **DOB NOW Requirement.** Owner **must** provide their email address to the Department to obtain correspondence, inspections and final sign-off of the project.
- ✔ **Commissioning.** If your project requires NYCECC commissioning (all projects where the total permitted equipment is greater than or equal to a total heating input capacity of 600,000 BTU/h and/or a total cooling capacity of 480,000 BTU/h), ensure that you have a qualified commissioning agent to perform the work.
- ✔ **Eligibility as an Historic Building.** Historic buildings that are eligible or listed on the [State/National Registers of Historic Places](#) (SHPO) may be exempt from the [NYCECC](#), however, buildings only in NYC LPC and Districts are not exempt from the NYCECC.

**DON'T**

- ✘ **Work Without a Permit.** Do not begin work without a DOB permit. Property owners and the people performing work without a permit may face violations with penalties, court appearances, civil and/or criminal penalties.

*NOTE: The Owner of the building/property is ultimately responsible for the project, and their signature/consent is required for submission of the project application by their Design Professional, and Department approval. The Owner may attend plan examination appointments only if accompanied by the Applicant of Record or the Filing Representative.*