

SERVICE NOTICE

Follow-up 1: 2025 NYCEC to Launch in DOB NOW: *Build*

Beginning June 29, 2026, DOB NOW: *Build* electrical filings will have new questions and requirements to comply with the 2025 New York City Electrical Code (NYCEC).

New Special Installation Types

Applicants will be able to specify certain installation types, including eBike and car charging stations, temporary lighting or amusement rides, and billboards or newsstands. For these special installation types, **cross streets** or a physical building address can be entered as the work location.

Stakeholder Information

- Owners will be required to create an **NYC.ID Account** to be added to the electrical filing.
- **School Construction Authority** and **Non-Profit Owned and Operated** owner types have been added as **Owner Types**.
- Applicants can add a **Filing Representative** and **Delegated Associates** to the filing.
- Supersede requests for applicants and owners will be submitted in DOB NOW: *Build*.

Legalization

Applicants will select **Legalization** of completed work if the filing is for electrical work that was performed without a permit and DOB did not issue a Notice of Violation for the unpermitted work. A civil penalty payment of \$600 for a one- or two-family dwelling or \$6,000 for a building other than a one- or two-family dwelling will be required to submit the filing. Read [1 RCNY §102-04](#) for detailed information.

Code Review Year

- Applicants will be required to select a **Code Review Year**.
- Filings that are not associated with any BIS/DOB NOW job will be required to comply with the **2020 NEC/2025 NYC Electrical Code**.
- Filings associated with a BIS/DOB NOW job will be required to enter the associated job number to have the option to select the same Code Review Year as the associated job filing.

Electrical Plan Review (EPR)

- A new question will appear on the filing: *Does your scope of work include the installation of service equipment, transformers, UPS systems, generators, generator paralleling equipment, or other power sources such as energy storage systems, fuel cells, photovoltaic systems, DC or AC microgrids, cogeneration plants, or stationary batteries in accordance with [1-RCNY 4000-01](#)?*

- If the answer to this question is **Yes**, electrical plan review is required, and the applicant will be required to upload **Approved Plans** and an **Approval Letter** that states **Approved** and not **Approval with Conditions**. Answering Yes to any of the additional questions that appear will require the applicant to enter the **Electrical Plan Review Number**.

Filing & Parts Fees

- 50% of the total fees must be paid in DOB NOW: *Build* before submission of the filing, and the remaining balance must be paid to request an inspection. The remaining fees due after submission can be paid in *Inspections Plus*.
- The maximum Parts Fee of \$5000 is no longer in effect.
- For filings submitted before the launch, all outstanding fees must be paid at the time of the inspection request. Any outstanding fees due after submission can be paid in *Inspections Plus*.
- A fee of \$130 will be required for a **Post Approval Amendment (PAA)**.
- eCheck payment can take up to 10 or more business days to be processed. During this period, the filing remains in **Pending Payment Verification**, and inspection requests will not be submitted until payment has cleared.
- Credit card payments are processed immediately, and the permit is issued, or the inspection request is submitted upon payment.

Civil Penalty for Work Without a Permit

- Electrical filings cannot be submitted if **open** Work Without a Permit Violations are on the property (BIN).
- A **Civil Penalties Review Request (L2)** will be required to be submitted in DOB NOW.
- The applicant will select the applicable reason on the L2 for an override, reduction, or waiver request and upload supporting documents.
- The filing will not be approved until the L2 request is approved.

Electrical Permits

- Electrical permits will be valid for a maximum of 12 months and will have to be renewed.
- A renewal fee of \$130 will be required for every renewal.
- Permit expiration will be based on the earliest of the following dates:
 - Workers' Compensation insurance expiration
 - Disability insurance expiration
 - General Liability insurance expiration
 - License expiration
- Permits issued before the launch will continue under the current auto-extension process for 60 days, after which they will follow the new maximum duration and renewal rules.

Permits expired for more than 12 months after the initial issuance date will be placed in Abandoned status and will need to be refiled.

After Hours Variance (AHV)

AHV permits for electrical work will be requested in DOB NOW: *Build* under the electrical filing. The permits will no longer be submitted on the associated job filing or through the PW5 paper form.

Inspections

Electrical job filings in DOB NOW: *Build* will include a new **Inspections** tab, which will appear after the permit is issued. Inspection requests can be submitted, inspection results can be viewed, and Inspection Delegates can be added within the job filing in DOB NOW: *Build*. Read the [DOB NOW: Inspections Plus service notice](#) for more information.

DOB NOW Training

DOB will conduct free training sessions on the upcoming DOB NOW electrical changes. Visit the **DOB NOW Training** page at nyc.gov/dobnowtraining to register for training.

Additional Information

Review the [DOB NOW: Build FAQs](#) and the [Build Electrical Resources](#) page for more information and to access step-by-step guides, user manuals, and videos.

To submit an inquiry about DOB NOW, visit the **DOB NOW Help Form** at nyc.gov/dobnowhelp.