

# **Construction Industry Session**

November 2015

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## **Session Objectives**

# Learn how the Construction industry will use DOB NOW: *Inspections*

## Watch video tutorials about DOB NOW: Inspections functionality





# DOB NOW: Inspections

Terms Used Throughout This Presentation

#### You will see these terms used throughout this presentation

<u>Records</u>

Jobs, BPP Jobs, Place of Assembly, Permits, Devices, Notices, Work, Applications, Certifications, Sign Off Requests & Gas Authorization Requests

#### <u>LPs</u>

Electricians, Elevator Agencies/Inspectors, Fire Suppression Contractors, General Contractors, Master Plumbers, Oil Burner Installers, Professional Engineers, Sign Hangers, Registered Architects, and Registered Landscape Architects

#### **Self-Certifications**

Certain Boilers, Cranes, and Plumbing inspections can be completed by an LP without the presence of an Inspector from the Department of Buildings. The supporting documentation must be uploaded into DOB NOW: *Inspections*, and is subject to approval or rejection.





# DOB NOW: Inspections New Online Inspections Portal

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Home Buildings		
Welcome to Inspection Ready		Login
	login to request and schedule inspections, results. Click the 'Register for an Account'	User Name or E-mail:
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the Department.		Remember me on this computer
Log in today to get started. To get started, log in and enter you right. If you do not have a User Na an Account link.	ur User Name and Password to the me, please click on the Register for	Ive forgotten my passwor New Users: Register for an Accour
General Information	Buildings	
Search Licensed Professionals/Licensees	Search Records Access My Records	



- View information related to your Jobs & Permits
- View and search for Records and LPs
- Request Inspections (including withdrawals) & view Results online
- Receive Final Inspection Results within 36 hours
- Receive emails at milestones in your Inspection cycle
- View and download documents such as the Inspection Report and cards
- Upload documentation to certify certain objections
- Request Gas Authorization and Plumbing Sign Offs
- Delegate responsibility to other Registered Users
- Submit Self-Certification documentation (Certain LPs for Boilers and Plumbing; LPs/ Owners/ Delegates for Cranes)

# Inspections Starting Late 2015

No Phone Calls – No Waiting in Line



Completed electronically via DOB NOW: *Inspections* 





#### DOB NOW: Inspections Units Participating

Boilers Builders Pavement Plan Construction Cranes + Derricks Electrical Elevators House Connections Plumbing Sustainability





### Access to DOB NOW: Inspections

### **Registered Users**

Owners Licensed Professionals (LPs) Delegates Any interested party

## **Unregistered Users**

Anonymous Users





### Access to DOB NOW: Inspections

DOB NOW: *Inspections* will be available for Account Registration, Account Management, and PIN entry (when required) on 9 Nov 2015.

Registration is <u>required</u> for Owners, LPs, and their Delegates.

All other DOB NOW: *Inspections* functions will be available later in 2015.





## **Registered Users**

**Owners, LPs, Delegates and All Other Registered Users** 

# Anyone can register for an account. However, only Owners, LPs, and their Delegates can access their Records and use DOB NOW: *Inspections* to:

- ✓ Request Inspections (including withdrawals) and view the Results online
- ✓ Request Gas Authorizations and Plumbing Sign–Offs
- ✓ Assign Delegates (LPs and Owners only)
- ✓ View, upload, and download documents
- ✓ Submit documentation to certify certain objections
- ✓ Receive email notifications regarding the Record
- ✓ Submit Self-Certification documentation
- ✓ Enter a PIN (*LPs only*)

# DOB NOW: *Inspections* is available for account registration, account management, and PIN entry on 9 Nov 2015.





## Owners

#### How to Access DOB NOW: Inspections

For all Permits that you file, use the email address you use to register with DOB NOW: *Inspections* (as depicted on the following slide). DOB NOW: *Inspections* will be available for Registration beginning on 9 Nov 2015.

Once the system goes live, if you have registered with DOB NOW: *Inspections* and you do not see your Records, use one of the following options to gain access to your Records:

- Option 1: Visit the Customer Service Counter on the 5th Floor at 280 Broadway or the respective Inspection Unit, verify your identity (bring a Photo ID), and ask the Service Representative to add you to each applicable Record.
- **Option 2:** Ask the LP to add you as a Delegate to each applicable Record.





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26 Prope	rty Owr	er's Statements and Signatures			
understan certificate barred fro permitted	benefit, monetary or otherwise, either as a gratuity for properly performing the job or in exchange for special consideration. Violation is punishable by imprisonment or fine or both, understand that if I am found after hearing to have knowingly or negligently made a false statement or to have knowingly or negligently falsified or allowed to be falsified any certificate, form, signed statement, application, report or certification of the correction of a violation required under the provisions of this code or of a rule of any agency. I may be barred from filing further applications or documents with the Department. Furthermore, I understand that I am responsible for insuring that a final inspection be performed when the permitted work is complete, and that a satisfactory report of final inspection be submitted, along with all required submittal documents, so that the NYC Department of Buildings ma issue a letter of completion or certificate of occupancy within the time prescribed by law.				
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## Licensed Professionals

#### How to Access DOB NOW: Inspections

#### LPs that can take actions on Records are:

- ✓ Electricians
- ✓ Elevator Agencies/Inspectors
- ✓ Fire Suppression Contractors
- ✓ General Contractors
- ✓ Master Plumbers
- ✓ Oil Burner Installers
- ✓ Professional Engineers
- ✓ Sign Hangers
- ✓ Registered Architects
- ✓ Registered Landscape Architects

#### To access DOB NOW: Inspections and take action on Records, LPs must:

- 1. Register for an DOB NOW: *Inspections* account
- 2. Use a PIN for each license that is held. For example, if you hold General and Fire Suppression Contractor licenses, you will receive two PINs





#### Licensed Professionals <u>How to Access DOB NOW: Inspections</u>

Buildings will email a PIN to LPs who will use DOB NOW: *Inspections* to request Inspections. This information will be emailed between 2 & 9 Nov 2015 to your business email address on file with the Department's Licensing Unit.

Starting 9 Nov 2015, LPs can register for an account and enter the PIN(s) provided by Buildings.

Two emails will be sent to the business email address on file with the Department's Licensing Unit:

- 1. An email containing a link to the account registration and PIN entry instructions
- 2. An email containing your PIN and the associated license number. You will receive one email for each license that you hold.
- Once you register for an account and enter your PIN(s), you can take action on the associated Records after the rest of the system goes live in late 2015.
- If you complete these steps and do not see your Records, visit Customer Service on the 5th floor at 280 Broadway or call 212-393-2340.





## Licensed Professionals

#### How to Access DOB NOW: Inspections

#### If you:

Did not receive your PIN, or misplaced your PIN

#### Visit the Customer Service Counter at 280 Broadway to:

- Verify your identify (bring a DOB Issued License and/or Photo ID)
- Obtain your PIN (PINs cannot be provided over the phone or in the Boroughs)

#### You will then need to:

- Register for an DOB NOW: Inspections account
- Log in to DOB NOW: Inspections and enter the PIN(s) provided by the Customer Service Representative. A PIN will need to be entered for each license that is held
- > Once your entered your PIN(s), you can take action on the associated Records after the system goes live in late 2015.





#### **Delegates** *How to Access DOB NOW: Inspections*

The Delegation feature enables Owners and LPs to give system rights to other people, such as Filing Representatives.

#### A Delegate MUST be a Registered User in order to serve as a Delegate:

Starting 9 Nov 2015, become a Registered User by registering for an DOB NOW: Inspections account (skip this step if already registered as an Owner or LP)

#### Starting late 2015, Owners and LPs can:

- Delegate responsibility for each applicable Record. Delegates can only be added to a Record using the email address entered during account registration. Once added, Delegates will receive a confirmation email from DOB NOW: *Inspections*.
- Once an account is linked to a Record via delegation, the Delegate can take action after the system goes live in late 2015.





## **Unregistered Users**

Starting in late 2015, anyone can use DOB NOW: *Inspections* to search for and view the details below without an account or logging in.

- ✓ LPs
- Records (Jobs, BPP Jobs, Place of Assembly, Permits, Devices, Notices, Work, Applications, Certifications, Sign Off Requests & Gas Authorization Requests)
- ✓ Development Inspection Appointments
- ✓ Development Inspection Results
- ✓ Development Inspection Objections





#### Account Registration Starting 9 Nov 2015

Remember:

- Anyone can register for an account.
- Owners, LPs, and Delegates must register for an account.

#### Video Tutorial How to Register and Log In to DOB NOW: *Inspections*: <u>https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hSgrSORrhMU</u>





#### Licensed Professional: Using Your PIN Starting 9 Nov 2015

- After you register for an account as an LP, you will need to log in and enter a unique PIN provided by Buildings.
- A PIN will need to be entered for each license that is held. For example, if you hold General and Fire Suppression Contractor licenses, you will receive two PINs.

#### Video Tutorial

#### How to Use Your PIN:

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MyyUNJHac2E



### Delegation Starting Late 2015

- Owners and Licensed Professionals can share Record permissions with other Registered Users in DOB NOW: *Inspections* by:
  - Selecting the appropriate Record
  - Confirming the intended Delegate via their email address
- ✓ Please note:
  - > This process can be repeated to add an unlimited number of Delegates
  - Delegates cannot delegate
  - > Owners and LPs can add or remove Delegates at any time
    - Owners and LPs can remove Delegates at any time, no matter who added the Delegate
  - > Delegates will be notified by email when they are added or removed
  - > Delegates on Cranes Records can submit Self-Certification documentation
    - Delegates on all other Record types cannot submit Self-Certification documentation using DOB NOW: Inspections





#### Delegation Starting Late 2015

#### Video Tutorial How to Add a Delegate: <u>https://youtu.be/QPe3ZRyKHmY</u>

Video Tutorial How to Remove a Delegate: <u>https://youtu.be/kb2RulpxLXM</u>





# DOB NOW: *Inspections* Will Replace the Existing Construction Inspection Portal

Online Construction Appointment Form
You will receive an e-mail confirmation with details pertaining to your inspection request within three (3) business days.
Date: October 12, 2015 * = Required Field
1 Job Data
Borough* * Select Borough * To make a Queens Construction Appointment, visit 311. Click here for more information. Address*
Address
Job / Complaint No.* Select One ▼
2 Appointment Requester Data
Contact Person*
Contact Number*
- Contact Person E-Mail*

# The following inspection-related online portal will no longer be used.

Online Construction Appointment Request Form

URL: http://www.nyc.gov/html/dob/html/developme nt/forms\_online\_cons\_appt.shtml





# DOB NOW: *Inspections* Will Replace the Existing Construction Inspection Portal

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* Inspection	Type: Cor	nstruction		
* Initial or Re-Inspec	ction?:		•	
* D	etails: N/A			
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# The following inspection-related online portal will no longer be used.

<u>Oueens Construction Online Appointment</u> <u>Request (from 311 site)</u>

URL: https://www1.nyc.gov/apps/311universalintake /form.htm?serviceName=DOB+Inspection+Co nstruction





#### Requesting a Construction Inspection Starting Late 2015

Owners, LPs, and their Delegates can request the Construction Inspection types listed	
below. Permit type dictates the Inspection types available for selection.	

	•	CO-Alt-1 Inspection Up to 4 Total Levels		Builders Pavement Plan (BPP)	Solar
	D-NB Inspection 5 to 9 Total Levels	CO-Alt-1 Inspection 5 to 9 Total Levels	Alt-3 Non-Directive 14	Curb Cut	Application Withdrawal
CO to	-NB Inspection 10 o 19 Total Levels	CO-Alt-1 Inspection 10 to 19 Total Levels	EQ Non-Directive 14	Green Roof	BPP Withdrawal
	O-NB Inspection 20+ Total Levels	CO-Alt-1 Inspection 20+ Total Levels	EW-OT-AMFP Non- Directive 14	Place of Assembly	Construction Permit Withdrawal
NE	8 - 18 Month TCO Update	Alt-1 -18 Month TCO Update	EW-OT-GC-ST Non- Directive 14	Sign Permit Inspection	Sustainability Permit Withdrawal

\*Alt-3 contains Inspections of the following types: Alt-3 Non-Directive 14s, Construction Permit Withdrawals, and Curb Cuts.



#### Requesting a Construction Inspection Starting Late 2015

Video Tutorial How to Request a Construction Inspection: <u>https://youtu.be/iQdoAlnuKul</u>





## Inspection Scheduling Guidelines

#### Please note the following:

- A specific Inspection date, time, or desired time of day (AM/PM) cannot be requested.
- Cancellations will be accepted online up to 48 hours prior to the scheduled Inspection. You must call the Department of Buildings at the phone number listed in your appointment confirmation email to cancel an Inspection that is scheduled to take place within 48 hours.
- Each Record can only have one open inspection request at a time, with the exception of BPP.
- LPs and Delegates cannot request an Inspection if the LP has an expired license and/or expired insurance. These rules do not apply to Owners.





## Inspection Scheduling Guidelines

#### Please note the following:

- Directive 14 Inspections (other than Sustainability) cannot be requested using DOB NOW: Inspections. The Owner, LP, or Delegate will contact the appropriate Unit to schedule an Inspection.
- Inspections should only be requested when you are truly prepared for the Inspection.
- Inspections can only be requested by an LP, Owner or their Delegates via DOB NOW: Inspections when the Record (Job or Permit) is in an Inspectable status.
- Inspections involving High Rise Initiative and Build it Back are recognized by DOB NOW: Inspections and scheduled accordingly.





# Available Records in DOB NOW: *Inspections*

- The Records available in DOB NOW: Inspections are only those that are in an Inspectable Status (see the following slide).
  - You will need to use BISWeb to find historical data.





## Construction Permit and Job Statuses

Construction	Status Values	Inspectable	
	Issued	Yes	
	Reissued		
Permit	In Process		
	Revoked	No	
	Signed Off		
	Plan Exam-Approved	Yes	
PA Job*	Completed		
	Signed Off	No	

Inspections can only be requested by an LP, Owner, or their Delegate via DOB NOW: *Inspections* when the Permit or Job is in an inspectable status (listed in the table).

\*If there is a current PA application with Permit-Entire status, the Borough Manager has to convert it to either Plan Exam-Approved or Completed prior to an Amendment.





## BPP Job Statuses

BPP	Status Values	Inspectable	
	Permit-Entire	Yes	
Job	Plan Exam-Approved	No	
	Signed Off		

Inspections can only be requested by an LP, Owner, or their Delegate via DOB NOW: *Inspections* when the Permit or Job is in an inspectable status (listed in the table).





## Construction Permit and Job Statuses

Construction	Status Values	Inspectable
	Permit-Entire	
Withdrawals	Completed	Yes
	Permit-Partial	
	Signed Off	
	Plan Exam- Approved	No

Application Withdrawals are inspected against the entire Construction Job.





## Withdrawal Inspections

Starting Late 2015



accepted in field





#### Inspection Contact Starting Late 2015





#### Inspection Request Received Starting Late 2015







#### Receiving an Inspection Schedule Starting Late 2015

From: DO\_NOT\_REPLY@buildings.nyc.gov [mailto:DO\_NOT\_REPLY@buildings.nyc.gov] Sent: None Subject: Inspection Scheduled for Smith, John - 003



Receive an email with the Inspection date and time prior to the Inspection

An inspection of type Alt-3 Non-Directive 14 has been scheduled on 9/10/2015 at approximately 7:30AM for Smith, John at 280 BROADWAY, Manhattan, NY 10007 for Job Number 40260601501ALOT.

A contact from your company must be present during the Inspection; if this is not possible at the date and time provided, please log into Inspection Ready, to cancel the inspection and request a new inspection. If you need to cancel less than two business days prior to the scheduled inspection, please call the Department of Buildings at 212-393-2662.

This is an automated message; please do not reply. If you have questions, please contact the Department of Buildings at MNconstructionIR@buildings.nyc.gov.

Sincerely,

NYC Department of Buildings





#### Receiving Preliminary Results via Email Starting Late 2015






### Receiving Final Results via Email Starting Late 2015







# Viewing Results Online

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# Viewing Results Online

Starting Late 2015

Video Tutorial How to View Inspection Results: <u>https://youtu.be/nnltiHpCbyo</u>





- ➢ If an Objection is observed in the field and it does not require Buildings to return to the site for a Re-inspection, it is called a Certifiable Objection.
- You can view all Objections using DOB NOW: Inspections, including those that are Certifiable.
  - ✓ Owners, LPs, or Delegates can resolve Certifiable Objections by uploading documentation into DOB NOW: *Inspections*.
- FYI, all Objections opened prior to the launch of DOB NOW: Inspections cannot be certified in DOB NOW: Inspections. A re-Inspection must be requested.





Home Buildings				
	Select an Online Service   Search Records   Access My Records			
Record 42049128406AL: AL-1 Permit	Add to collection			
This record was locked by RE Condition: Floor 004:Fire Pro Total Conditions: 2 (Required	tection - Installation of Smoke and Carbon Monoxide detectors Severity: Required			
View additional details	You will see an orange banner wh	en		
	there are Objections on your Record. T			
view all Objections on the Record, clic				
	'View Additional Details'.			





The page will default to show only the Unresolved Objections.

Buildings

















	Conditions of Approval
Objection Status is displayed per Objection	Hide Those Met         Showing 1-5 of 5         Objections - 4 Open, 1 Resolved         Certifiable         Floor 006:Fire Protection - Installation of Smoke and Carbon Monoxide detectors         Comment 2         Open   09/14/2015         Floor 005:Zoning Resolution - Bulk (building envelope, main site dimensions, building height, etc.)         Comment 1
	Resolved   09/14/2015         Non-Certifiable         Floor 002:Zoning Resolution - Bulk (building envelope, main site dimensions, building height, etc.)         Open   07/21/2015         Floor 003:Handicap - Interior accessibility         Open   07/21/2015         Floor 004:Fire Protection - Fire Rating of building elements: material of Combustible and Non-Combustible elements         Open   07/21/2015



> Video Tutorial How to Certify Objections: <u>https://youtu.be/hZ9FJPa4PBo</u>





### DOB NOW: Inspections Emails Starting Late 2015

- The emails on the next slide will be sent to Owners, LPs, and their Delegates, only if they have an DOB NOW: Inspections account.
- Add DO\_NOT\_REPLY@buildings.nyc.gov to your `Safe Sender' list





#### DOB NOW: Inspections Emails Starting Late 2015

System-generated emails will be sent at each milestone in the Inspection process.

Notification List	Email
All Registered Users on the Record (Owner, LP, Delegates)	<ul> <li>Inspection Request received</li> <li>Inspection scheduled, rescheduled, or cancelled</li> <li>Preliminary &amp; Final Inspection Results</li> <li>Certification of Objection documents accepted or rejected</li> <li>Certification documentation approved, technically rejected, or administratively rejected (Boilers)</li> <li>Certification documentation received (Cranes and Plumbing)</li> <li>Gas Authorization request approved, denied, or additional documents are required</li> <li>Plumbing Sign Off request approved, denied, or additional documents are required</li> <li>Advanced Notice Inspection is scheduled</li> </ul>
Delegate	Registered User has been added or removed as a delegate
Registered User	<ul> <li>Notification to activate the DOB NOW: <i>Inspections</i> account</li> <li>Notification that the account is locked</li> <li>Password has been reset (via the Forgot My Password link)</li> </ul>
LP (business email address on file with the Licensing Unit)	<ul> <li>A PIN is sent to a brand new LP</li> <li>A PIN assigned to the LP has been used</li> </ul>

#### DOB NOW: Inspections Emails Starting Late 2015





## **Collections** *Starting Late 2015*

- Collections are used to group and organize Records in DOB NOW: Inspections, for easy access.
- You can create Collections for Records that you frequently navigate to, or create Collections to organize your Records by other factors such as Records on the same Job, Record Type, Date, etc.
- Records can be added to or removed from a Collection at any time.
- All Records will still be visible in the "Access My Records" list and will remain searchable using the General Search feature whether or not they are in a Collection.







## DOB NOW: *Inspections* Online Resources

Available later this month on the DOB NOW: *Inspections* website at the link below: <a href="http://www.nyc.gov/html/dob/html/development/insp\_ready.shtml">http://www.nyc.gov/html/dob/html/development/insp\_ready.shtml</a>

Online User Manuals				
Account Registration and Management*	Inspections - Requesting Cancelling and Viewing Results*			
Using your PIN*	Plumbing Advance Notice and Results-Only Certifications*			
Searching	Boilers Certifications*			
Delegating Responsibilities*	Plumbing Sign Off & Gas Authorization*			
Grouping Records*	Elevator Re-Inspections & Expedited Inspections			
Cranes & Derricks Certifications*	PVTs - How to Submit Inspection Documentation*			
Certifying Objections*	Where to Go for Help			
Browser Requirements				

\* An online Video Tutorial will also be available





## **Inspection Downtime**

Unit	Last Inspection	Dates of No	Inspection
	Request	Inspections	Resume Date
BPP/ Construction / Sustainability	2 Dec	4 – 7 Dec	8 Dec





## **Questions + Answers**

## Send your questions to: InspectionReady@buildings.nyc.gov

## Include "Industry Session" in the Subject Line

### Meeting Materials are available here:

http://www.nyc.gov/html/dob/html/development/insp\_ready.shtml



