



FIRE DEPARTMENT OF THE CITY OF NEW YORK

FDNY Business

Obtaining and Viewing a Permit or Letter of Approval

User Guide

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IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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INTRODUCTION

About this Guide

The *Obtaining and Viewing a Permit or Letter of Approval (LOA)* User Guide is designed to assist customers with the steps necessary to obtain a Permit or LOA and view existing Permits and LOAs on FDNY Business.

Permits and LOAs can be requested and viewed from any computer with an Internet connection. (Applications cannot currently be completed on mobile devices.)

Permits and LOAs WILL NO LONGER be provided via US Mail. These documents will now be issued via email to the Permit/LOA Contact on the Inspection Record and will be available under Supporting Documents tab on your FDNY Business Account.

Numbers in the images will assist you in following the instructions. For example, ① indicates your first action, ② indicates your second action, etc.

For additional assistance, dial 311 and ask for FDNY Business Support or send an email to FDNY.BusinessSupport@FDNY.nyc.gov.

1. OBTAINING A PERMIT OR LOA

A **Permit** or **Letter of Approval (LOA)** document authorizes use of device/equipment and /or occupancy as per the New York City Fire Code and other laws, rules, and regulations enacted for the protection of the public. The New York City Fire Code requires that the **Permit** or **LOA** be posted in a conspicuous location on the premises at all times and be readily available for inspection by any representative of the Department. A **Permit** or **LOA** will only be issued by FDNY after the following conditions are met:

- An Inspection has been approved
- There are no outstanding violations
- There is no outstanding balance on your account

Once the above conditions have been met, your **Permit** or **LOA** will be sent via email to the Permit/LOA Contact and available on your FDNY Business account.

Permits and **LOAs** will be released for your account and emailed to you once the payment has been received and settled. For **Permits**, this may take approximately fourteen (14) days.

2. VIEWING A PERMIT OR LOA ON FDNY BUSINESS

You can view any current **Permit(s)** or **LOA(s)** that have been issued for your account on **FDNY Business**. You can access your Permit/LOA on FDNY Business by following the below steps:

NOTE #1: You will be able to view Permits and LOAs issued after September 7, 2021. If you need a copy of a previously issued Permit/LOA please contact FDNY Business Support.

NOTE #2: If you have a Legacy (FPIMS) account and have had an Inspection but have not yet received a Permit/LOA, you must link it to your FDNY Business account. If you need instructions on how to request a PIN to link your Record with your FDNY Business account, please see the [Request a PIN & Linking an Inspection Record to Your NYC ID](#) User Guide.

Step 1. Create Your NYC ID Account and/or Log In to FDNY Business

If you do not have an **NYC ID**, go to [Register for an Account](#) to create your account. On the **Create Account** page, enter the required information. Then, click to “check” the checkbox to accept the **NYC ID Terms of Use** and click the **Create Account** button. See Figure 1.

The screenshot shows the 'Create Account' form with the following sections and callouts:

- EMAIL OR USERNAME:** Callout 1 points to the 'Email Address or Username' and 'Confirm Email Address or Username' input fields.
- PASSWORD:** Callout 2 points to the 'Password' and 'Confirm Password' input fields. A 'Password Strong' indicator is visible.
- SECURITY:** Callout 3 points to the 'Security Question' dropdown menu, and callout 4 points to the 'Answer' input field. A 'Display Answers: Show/Hide' toggle is at the bottom.
- TERMS:** Callout 5 points to the 'I agree to the Terms of Use' checkbox, and callout 6 points to the 'CREATE ACCOUNT' button.

Fig. 1: NYC ID — Create Your Account

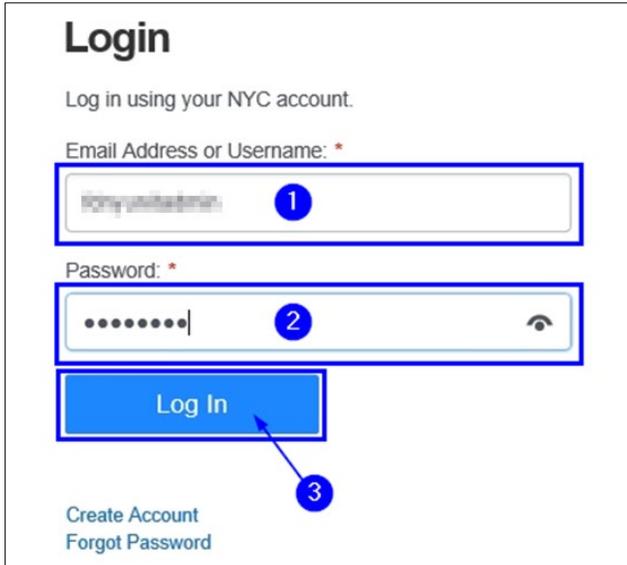
Once you have created your account — or if you already have an account — you may begin by clicking the [Login](#) button on the [FDNY Business Home Page](#). See Figure 2.

The screenshot shows the 'FDNY Business' home page with the following elements:

- Header: 'FDNY Business', 'FDNY Dashboard', and 'Return to NYC Business'.
- Section: 'My Account' with sub-links for 'Announcements', 'Register for an Account', and 'Login'.
- Callout 1 points to the 'Login' button.
- Footer: 'Home', 'Advanced Search', and a message: 'We are pleased to offer our citizens, businesses, and visitors access to government services online, 24 hours a day, 7 days a week.' Below this are links for 'Search Applications/Requests' and 'Initiate Application/Request'.

Fig. 2: Click 'Login'

Enter your **Email Address** (your **NYC ID**) and **Password**. Then, click the **Log In** button. See Figure 3.

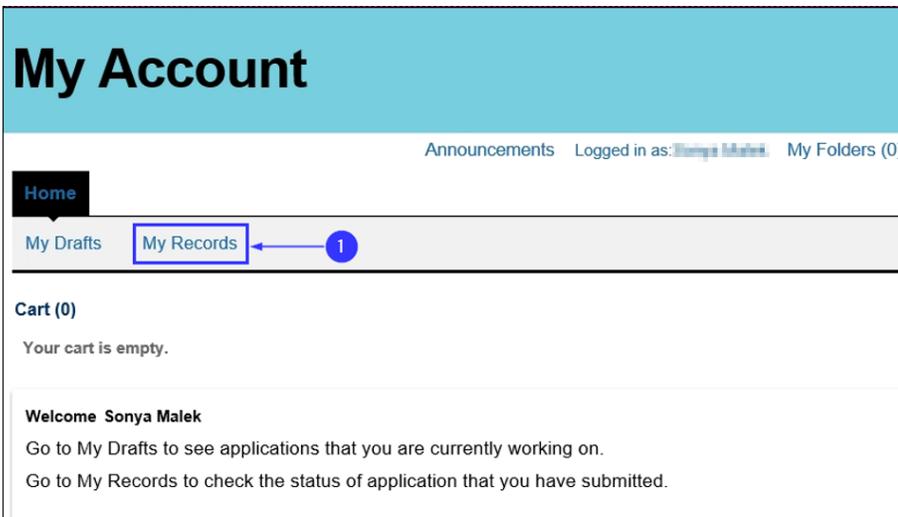


The screenshot shows a login form titled "Login" with the instruction "Log in using your NYC account." It contains two input fields: "Email Address or Username: *" and "Password: *". The "Email Address" field is highlighted with a blue box and a blue circle containing the number "1". The "Password" field is also highlighted with a blue box and a blue circle containing the number "2". Below the password field is a blue "Log In" button, which is highlighted with a blue box and a blue circle containing the number "3". At the bottom left, there are links for "Create Account" and "Forgot Password".

Fig. 3: Enter Your NYC ID/Password and Log In

Step 2. Review Account Status

After login, you will be brought to the **My Account** page. Click on **My Records** to view a list of all the records on your account. See Figure 4.



The screenshot shows the "My Account" page. At the top, there is a navigation bar with "Announcements", "Logged in as: Sonya Malek", and "My Folders (0)". Below this is a sidebar with a "Home" button and a "My Records" button. The "My Records" button is highlighted with a blue box and a blue circle containing the number "1". Below the sidebar, there is a "Cart (0)" section with the text "Your cart is empty." and a "Welcome Sonya Malek" section with instructions: "Go to My Drafts to see applications that you are currently working on." and "Go to My Records to check the status of application that you have submitted."

Fig 4: Click on My Records

Under services, check to ensure there are no violations and no payments due against your account/record.

In the example below, a **Permit** or **LOA** will not be issued because the Inspection Record (highlighted in “yellow”) has a **Status** of “In Violation.” This indicates that you have one or more open violations that must be addressed before you can receive your **Permit** or **LOA**.

Follow the instructions on the Violation you received at the time of inspection to correct the issue. For instructions on how to view Summonses and Violations on your FDNY Business Account, please see the [Access and View Enforcement Information](#) User Guide.

A **Permit** or **LOA** will also not be issued if the **Action** is “Pay,” which indicates there is a balance due. You will need to pay for the Inspection before you can receive your **Permit** or **LOA**.

For instructions on how to make a payment online on FDNY Business, please see the [Online Payments and Refunds](#) User Guide.

NOTE: If you don't see your account under My Records, you must link your account with your FDNY Business account. If you need instructions on how to request a PIN to link your Record with your FDNY Business account, please see the [Request a PIN & Linking an Inspection Record to Your NYC ID](#) User Guide.

My Account

Announcements Logged in as [User] My Folders (4) Cart (1) Account Management Logout

Home

My Drafts My Records

Add to My Folders: Check the box next to one or several records, then click **Add to My Folders** along the top of the records list to add those records to a new or existing folder.

Edit: In some cases, typically before payment is made, a record that has been submitted may still be edited. When "Edit" appears in the Action column, clicking this link will open the submittal details and allow you to edit the information.

Services

Showing 1-10 of 100+ | Download results | Add to My Folders | Add to cart

<input type="checkbox"/>	Date	Record Number	Record Type	Status	Address	Action
<input type="checkbox"/>	01/27/2021	2110000015	Inspection Record	In Violation	1000 TRUCKS, 1000 TRUCKS, 1000 TRUCKS	Pay

Fig 5: 'In Violation' Inspection Record

In the next example below, the Inspection has been “Approved” and an **LOA** has been issued. This is indicated by the **Status**, “LOA Active.” Additionally, there is no balance due since there is no “Pay” link.

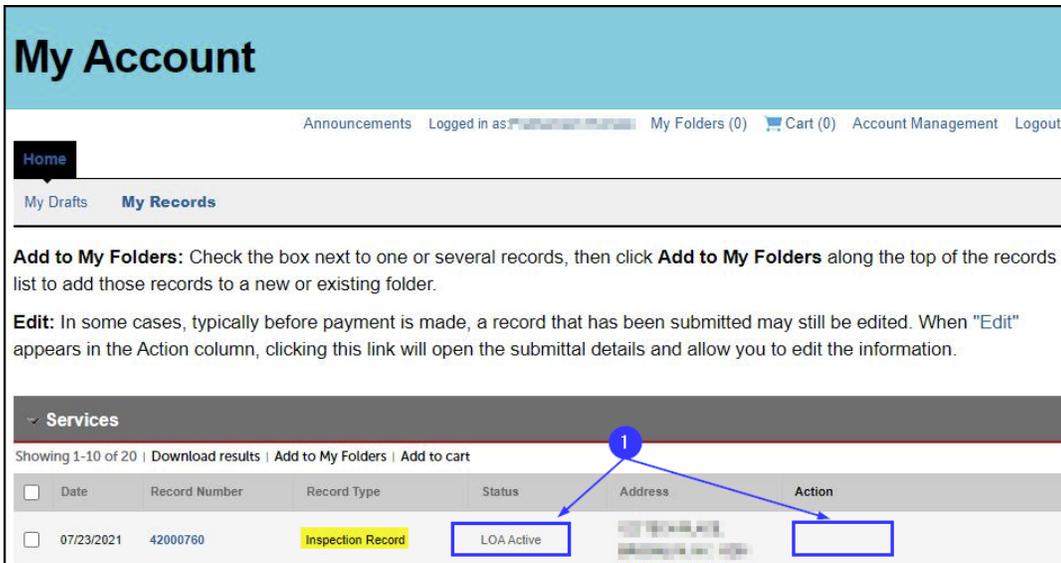


Fig 6: ‘Approved’ Inspection Record

Step 3. View Permit/LOA Contact

The Permit/LOA Contact is specific to each **Record** on your FDNY Business account. To view the Permit/LOA Contact on an Inspection Record, click on an Inspection Record from the **My Records** screen.

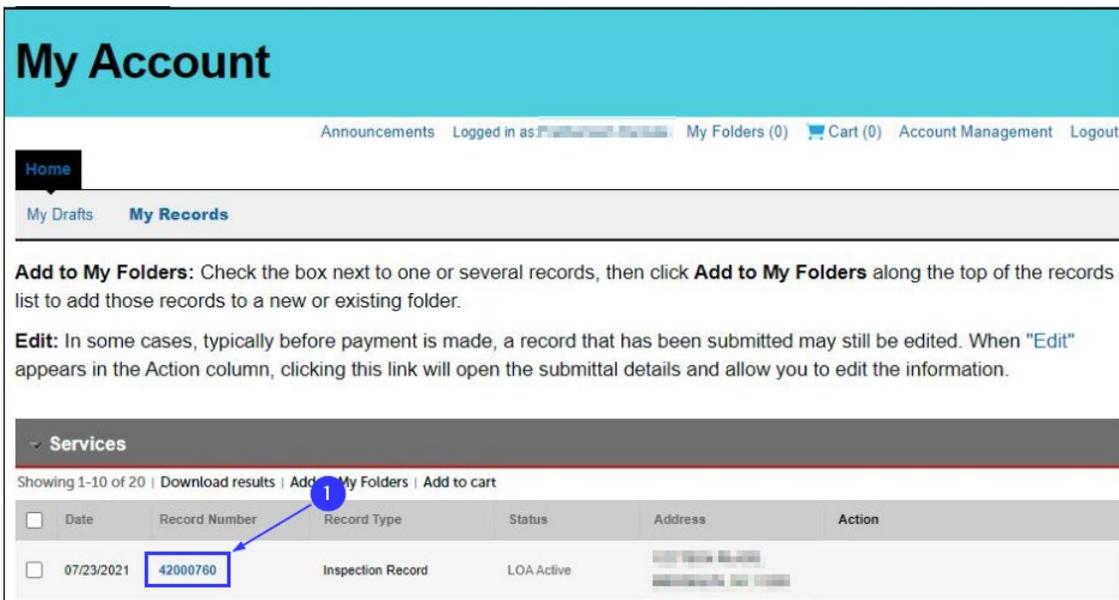
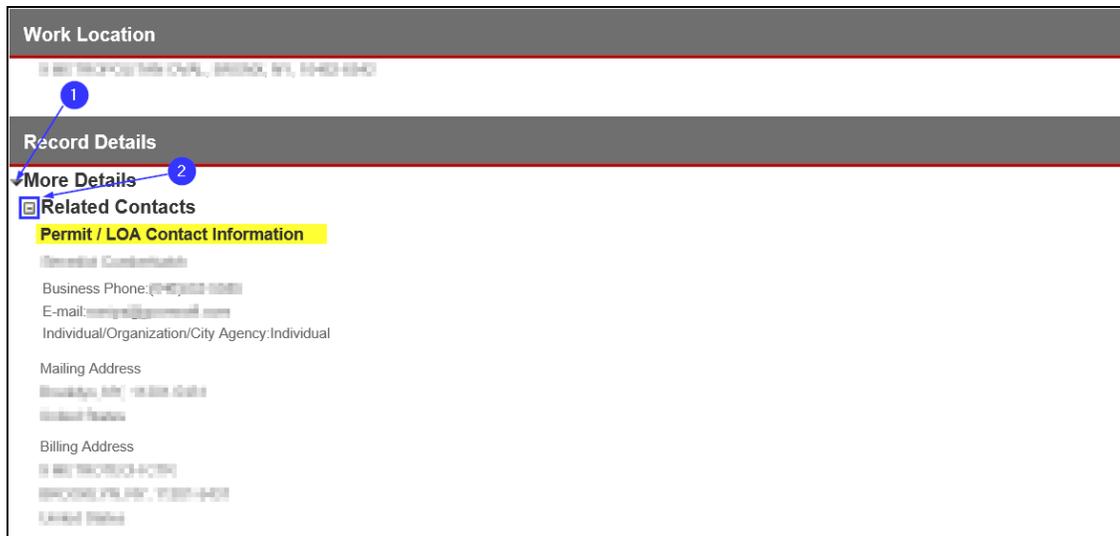


Fig 7: Opening the Inspection Record

Scroll down to the **Record Details** section. Click on the arrow next to **More Details** and click on the box next to **Related Contacts**. You will see the **Permit/LOA Contact Information**. If this Contact is missing or needs to be updated, you will need to contact FDNY Business Support by dialing 311 or send an email to FDNY.BusinessSupport@FDNY.nyc.gov for assistance.

NOTE: Permit/LOA is sent via email only to Permit/LOA Contact listed in your account.



Step 4. Viewing Permits or LOAs

To view the **LOA**, click on the **Record Number** link for the Inspection Record. See Figure 8.

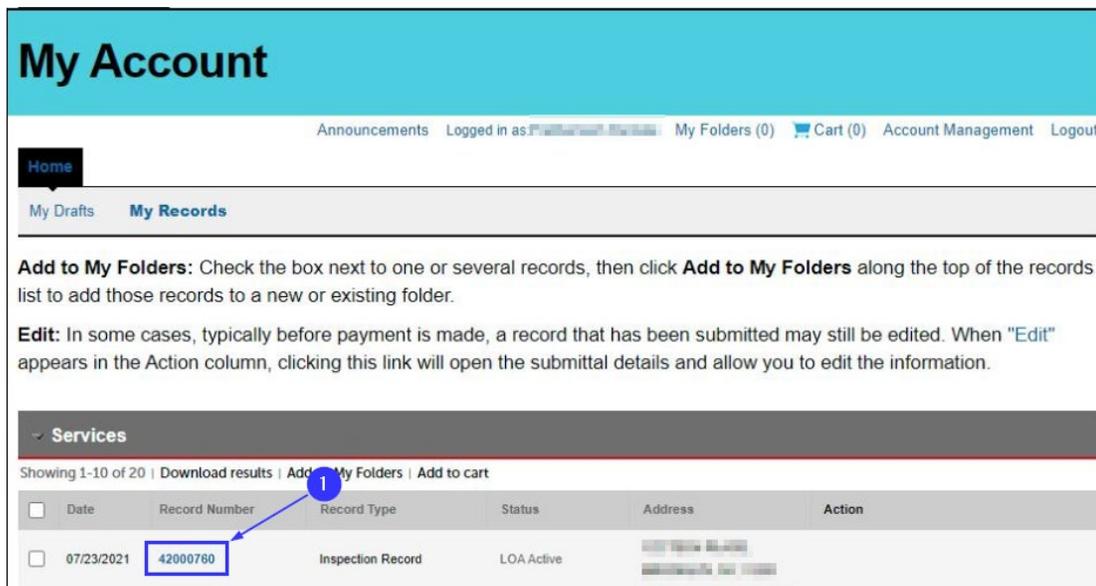


Fig 8: Opening the Inspection Record

On the Inspection Record page, to view the **LOA**, click on the **Record Info** drop-down. Then, click on “Supporting Documents.” See Figure 9.

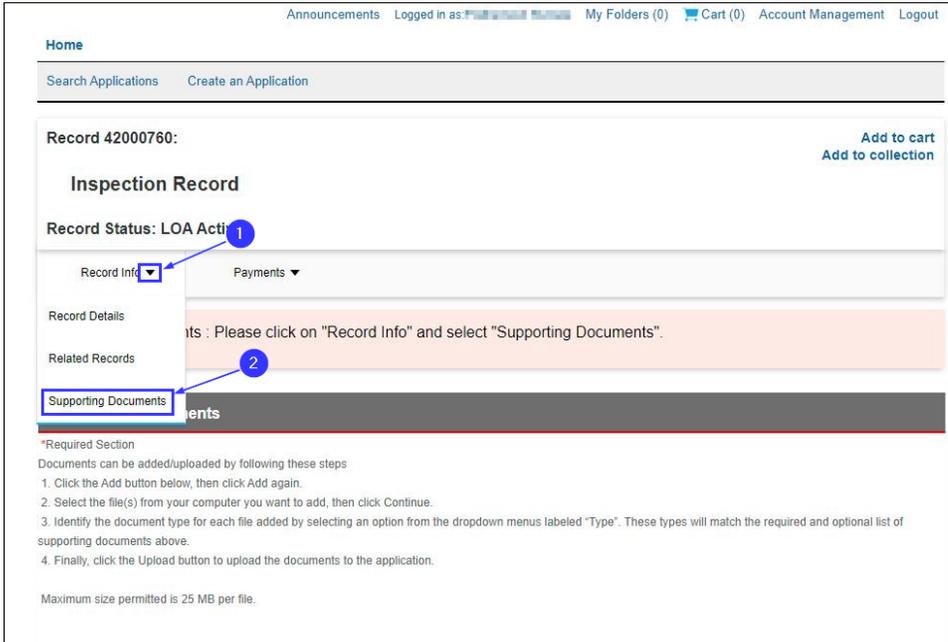


Fig 9: Click ‘Supporting Documents’

Click on the link for the **LOA** to open it. See Figure 10.

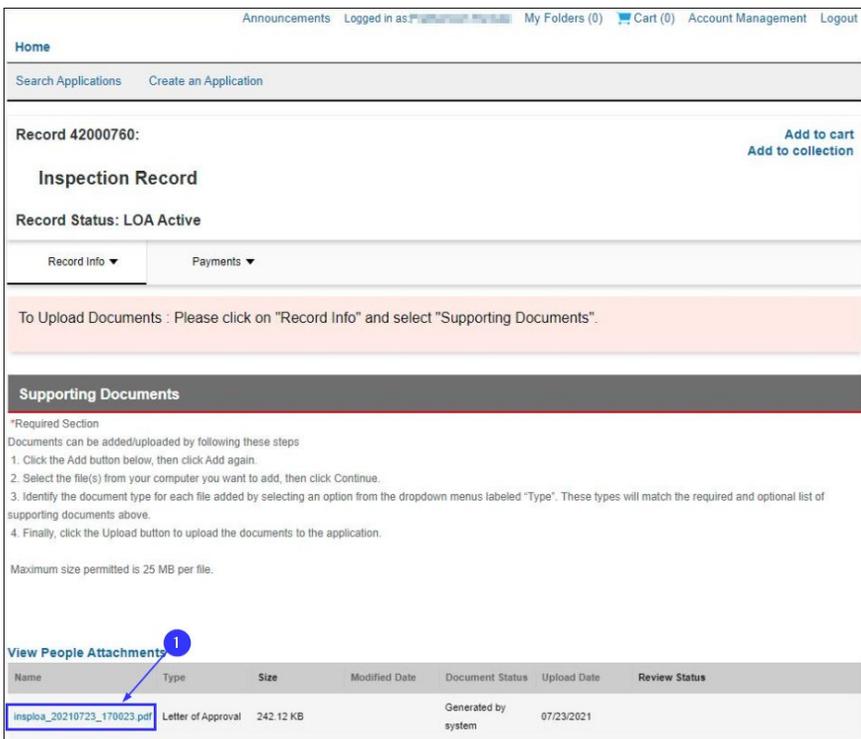


Fig 10: Open the LOA Link

You will see a pop-up on the bottom of your screen. Click **Open**. See Figure 11.



Fig 11: Open the LOA

The **LOA** will be displayed. See Figure 12.

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FPIMS/DOB/DSBS APPLICATION: Rangehood Application
 FD PLAN NUMBER: [redacted]
 ACCOUNT NUMBER: [redacted]
 DATE OF APPROVAL: 07/20/2021
 DATE OF INSPECTION: 07/16/2021
 INSPECTOR NAME: [redacted]
 FLOOR(S) INSPECTED: 5,7

PREMISES: [redacted] BOROUGH: [redacted]

LETTER OF APPROVAL
Rangehood Application

THIS LETTER OF APPROVAL COVERS THE DEVICES, EQUIPMENT AND/OR SYSTEMS INDICATED BELOW. IT IS SUBJECT TO ADMINISTRATIVE REVIEW AND AUDIT. APPROVAL OF THE DEVICE, EQUIPMENT AND/OR SYSTEM(S) IS GRANTED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE FOLLOWING LAWFUL PROCEDURE.

INSPECTION/TEST
 PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION (3RCNY 104-02)
 INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION OF CORRECTION OF DEFECTS BY A LICENSED PROFESSIONAL (3 RCNY 104-04)
 OTHER PROFESSIONAL CERTIFICATION/PROCEDURE PURSUANT TO (SPECIFY AUTHORITY):

Description of Devices:
 Model: PCL200
 Type: Wet
 Manufacture: PyroChem

Floor No	Hood	Appliance	Nozzles	Description
1	A	RAN	2	Rangehood
1	A	SAL	1	Salamanders
1	A	SPG	1	Spaghetti cooker
1	A	STM	2	Steamer
1	A	SKT	1	Soup Kettle
1	B	OVN	0	Oven
1	B	ROT	1	Rotisserie
1	B	STM	1	Steamer

Fig 12: Sample LOA

NOTE: There are no changes to the business process of issuance of Permit/LOA based on the Inspection conducted.

If you were issued a **Permit**, follow the same instructions as above to view the **Permit** via the Supporting Documents link on the Inspection Record. A sample Permit is displayed below:

FDNY * [REDACTED] *

FIRE DEPARTMENT PERMIT (CITY-WIDE)

DO	ACCOUNT NO			
ISSUE DATE	EXPIRATION DATE	CONTROL #		
ISSUED TO				
CORPORATION NAME				
DBA				
MAILING ADDRESS				
HOURS OF OPERATION				
PHONE #				
PERMIT DESCRIPTION				
ITEM CODE	SUB CODE	QTY	TYPE/DESCRIPTION	DETAILS
864	00	3	Rangehood Annual Inspection Fees	

Fig 13: Sample Permit

If you do not see a Permit or LOA under your Supporting Documents, have no balance and no violations, please contact FDNY Business Support by dialing 311 and ask for FDNY Business Support or send an email to FDNY.BusinessSupport@FDNY.nyc.gov.