

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: January 18, 1972

TO: Joseph Stein, Commissioner

FROM: Louis Beck, General Counsel

SUBJECT: Cranes

Jurisdiction

For cranes used in the city, certificates of approval, operation and/or on-site inspection shall be required as follows:

Certificates Required

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| I. For cranes <u>located either within the lot line or on the street</u> for use in construction, alteration, demolition, excavation and maintenance purposes for buildings or structures which are within the jurisdiction of the department of buildings. | Approval, operation and on-site. |
| II. For cranes used on waterfront property <u>including those under the jurisdiction of the economic development administration.</u> | Approval, operation and on-site. |
| III. For cranes for use in construction, alteration, demolition, excavation and maintenance purposes for <u>highways and sewers</u> , and for cranes used for <u>bridges, tunnels or subways</u> or to structures appurtenant thereto. | Approval and operation. |
| IV. For cranes located <u>entirely within the lot line</u> for use in construction, alteration, demolition, excavation and maintenance purposes for premises under the jurisdiction of:
1) Federal government
2) State government
3) New York State Dormitory Authority, Metropolitan Transportation Authority and other public authorities.
4) Urban Development Corporation (if it determines that it will comply with the New York State Building Code and not the City Building Code).
5) Port of New York Authority | No jurisdiction. However if our inspector ascertains:
a) that crane is not an approved crane; or
b) operator is not licensed by the city; or
c) any violations exist, then such information should be transmitted to <u>the respective agency involved.</u> |

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V. For cranes located on the street for use in construction, alteration, demolition, excavation and maintenance purposes for premises under the jurisdiction of any of the agencies specified in "IV" above.

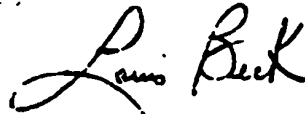
No jurisdiction. However, if our inspector ascertains:
a) that crane is not an approved crane; or b) operator is not licensed by the city; or c) any violations exist, then such information should be transmitted to the respective agency involved and to the transportation administration. Violations to be issued by the department of highways.

It is to be noted that section 1.0.6 of the rules and regulations of the department of highways relating to cranes provides that no crane may be assembled, operated or disassembled in any roadway, sidewalk or street unless a permit is first obtained from the department of highways. It further provides for the filing of an application, a sketch showing the proposed location of the crane in its working area, insurance bonds and for the following:

"G. A copy of an approved application from the department of buildings for a certificate of on-site inspection including any plans submitted in connection therewith. Where a certificate of on-site inspection is not required, the applicant shall submit a copy of a current certificate of operation from said department."

Section 1.0.10 of the aforesaid rules and regulations provides as follows:

"1.0.10 It shall be unlawful for any person other than a duly licensed crane operator to operate a crane on any roadway, sidewalk or street. See Department of Buildings rules and regulations."



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