

# Buildings news update

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## DOB NOW: *Build* Questions & Answers, Weekly Sessions Starting 1/19



Starting Tuesday, January 19, 2021, DOB will be offering live Q&A sessions online for [DOB NOW](#) users who have questions about the new features and filing procedures following the December 28, 2020 launch. There will also be a review of [frequently asked questions](#) from prior trainings. Register today to secure your spot! The sessions will be offered every Tuesday starting January 19 until February 9 for the following times:

- [Tuesday, January 19, 2021 - 3pm to 5pm](#)
- [Tuesday, January 26, 2021 - 2pm to 4pm](#)
- [Tuesday, February 2, 2021 - 2pm to 4pm](#)
- [Tuesday, February 9, 2021 - 2pm to 4pm](#)

**Topics will cover DOB NOW updates for the following work types:**

- General Construction (GC)
- Foundation (FO)
- Earthwork (EA)
- Support of Excavation (SE)
- Protection & Mechanical Methods (PMM)
- Tenant Protection Plan
- Site Safety Plan
- Supersede & Withdrawal
- New features

For more information on DOB NOW: *Build*, please visit our [DOB NOW: Build resources page](#).

## Façades SWARMP Civil Penalty Reminder

Effective [February 21, 2020](#), a failure to correct Safe With a Repair and Maintenance Program (SWARMP) civil penalty applies for Façade Inspection Safety Program (FISP) eligible buildings that are classified as unsafe because the owner failed to correct conditions specified in the previous FISP report filing cycle. Please read the full [Service Notice](#).

### Failure to Correct SWARMP Civil Penalty

An owner who does not correct a SWARMP condition reported in the previous FISP report filing cycle, requiring the building to be classified as unsafe, will be issued a violation and be liable for a one-time civil penalty of **\$2,000**.


### Challenging the SWARMP Civil Penalty

If an owner receives a violation, it can be challenged if proof is provided that the violation was issued in error. See [1 RCNY §103-04](#) for details about required proof. To submit a challenge, complete a [Façades Waiver of Civil Penalties Form](#) and email it to [façades@buildings.nyc.gov](mailto:façades@buildings.nyc.gov).

For more about FISP, please visit our [Façades page](#).



## Eligible New Yorkers: Make an Appointment Today to Get Vaccinated



The graphic features a blue smartphone on the left with a black screen displaying text in Spanish: "Text 'COVID' to 692692 or 'COVIDESP' a 692692 para noticias en español". To the right, on an orange background, is the text "SIGN UP FOR COVID-19 VACCINE ALERTS!" in white, with the "NYC" logo in the bottom right corner.

The COVID vaccine is safe, effective and free.

New Yorkers over the age of 65 and those part of Phase 1A and 1B should make an appointment to get vaccinated today.

If you're eligible for a COVID-19 vaccine, make your FREE appointment at <http://nyc.gov/vaccinefinder> or by calling 877-VAX-4NYC from 8 AM to 9 PM. Appointments are required!

24/7 Vaccination Sites are opening in all five boroughs! To stay up to date on the COVID19 vaccine rollout in New York City:

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