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## Register Today for DOB's Build Safe | Live Safe Digital Conference, May 3-7



Registration is now open for DOB's second annual digital conference:

### [Build Safe | Live Safe Digital 2021: Safety and Sustainability](#)

Our weeklong virtual construction industry conference will be taking place from **May 3rd to May 7th, 2021** to coincide with *National Construction Safety Week*.

Conference attendees will have the opportunity to hear from Department experts on a variety of topics including construction safety, building maintenance, NYC's regulatory landscape, and building sustainability. There will also be worker safety sessions offered in multiple languages. The conference is **free** and open to the public, with many courses also counting toward AIA continuing education credits. Don't wait, register today at [bit.ly/BuildsafeLivesafe](http://bit.ly/BuildsafeLivesafe).

*Due to the ongoing pandemic and in the interest of public safety, DOB is continuing to delay the return to in-person conferences.*

## Weekly Service Updates on Occupancy Submissions



DOB is working to address the high volume of occupancy submissions that have been received since the [March 1st expansion of DOB NOW: Build](#). To help keep customers updated, a weekly Service Notice will be posted providing current service levels for these submissions.

Please see today's [Service Notice](#) for current service levels for the following:

- **Schedule of Occupancy** (first review by Plan Examiner)
- **Certificate of Occupancy** (first review by Project Advocate)

For the weekly notice on the occupancy submissions' service levels, customers can visit our [Service Updates page](#).

Please also visit the [DOB NOW training page](#) to sign up for our Q&A sessions, held Tuesdays from 2 – 4 p.m., and to view FAQs and other helpful DOB NOW training resources.

**Need Additional Help?** Questions can also be submitted by using the DOB NOW help form at [www.nyc.gov/dobnowhelp](http://www.nyc.gov/dobnowhelp).

## Local Law 150 of 2016: Gas Work Qualification Requirement Reminder



As of January 1, 2020, all gas work (based on [NYC Fuel Gas Code](#) definitions), including the installation, testing, and maintenance of fuel-gas piping systems, appliances, and accessories must be performed by a **Licensed Master Plumber** or by:

- A person who holds a Gas Work Qualification issued by DOB, working under the direct and continuing supervision of a Licensed Master Plumber; or
- A person who holds a Limited Gas Work Qualification issued by DOB, working under the personal and immediate supervision of a person who holds a Gas Work Qualification or a Licensed Master Plumber.

The [License Search](#) feature on the Department's website allows users to verify if the professional they've hired to perform gas work is a Licensed Master Plumber.

Gas work performed by a person who does not have the required qualifications will result in enforcement action, which may include but not be limited to issuance of the following:

- a violation carrying a penalty of **\$5,000**;
- an order to remove and reinstall the appliance/system;
- a Stop Work Order.

Please read the full [Service Notice](#) for more information.

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