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DOB Announces Deadline Changes For Construction Safety Training Requirements



DOB has extended the deadline by which many of the city's construction workers will need to have at least 30 hours of safety training, and by which construction supervisors will need 62 hours of training. This requirement was set to kick in on December 1, 2018; workers will now have until June 1, 2019 to complete this training. These workers are already required to have a minimum of 10 hours of safety training and the 10-hour requirement remains unchanged. In addition, DOB will extend the law's final deadline, by which workers will need 40 hours of training, from May 1, 2019 to September 1, 2020.

See the associated [Service Update](#) and [press release](#) for further details on the changes.

DOB NOW: *Licensing is Live*

Service Updates

Local Law 196 of 2017: New Form Created to Certify Correction for Summonses Issued for Failing to Comply with Site Safety Training Requirements

Place of Assembly and Temporary Place of Assembly to Launch in DOB NOW: *Build*

Filing Requirements for Applications Requiring Final Inspection by Registered Design Professional

2014 Construction Code Updates

Update Page # 63 reflects changes made by **1 RCNY 3610-05** (effective 9/28/2018), in relation to updating the requirements for the posting of information about elevator carrying capacity, and the detection and regulation of overloaded elevators.

Update Page # 64 reflects changes made by **Local Law 105 of 2018** (effective 11/25/2018), in relation to small wind turbines.

Update Page # 65 reflects changes made by **Local Law 106 of 2018** (effective 11/25/2018), in relation to allowing residential cooperatives to consolidate required energy efficiency reports.

Update pages are printable inserts to keep your hard copy Construction Codes up to date.

All **update pages** for the 2014 NYC Construction Codes.

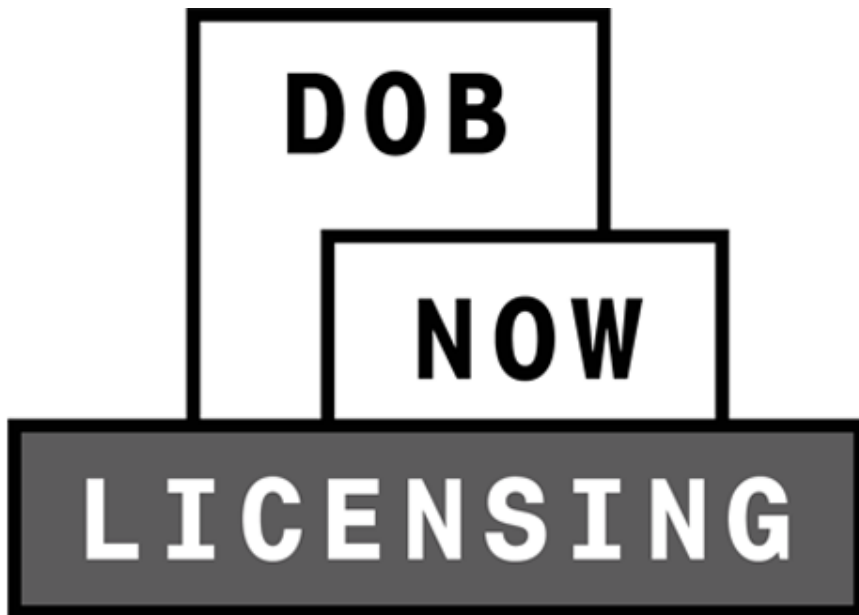
Hearings + Rules

1 RCNY 8001-01 Amendment of Rules Regarding Individual Private On-site Sewage Disposal Systems

Public Hearing: 12/6/18 @10:00 AM
Spector Hall, 22 Reade Street

1 RCNY 103-10 Amendment of Rules Regarding the Periodic Inspection of Gas Piping Systems

Public Hearing 01/02/19 @ 2:00 PM,
280 Broadway, 3rd Floor Conference Room



DOB Now: Licensing launched November 13th and all new applications, reissuances, and renewals are now required to be submitted online for:

- Gas Work Qualifications (Full & Limited)
- Journeyman Registrations (Plumber & Fire Suppression)
- Welder Licenses

See our [website](#) for information on registering for DOB NOW and DOB NOW training sessions. And be sure to check out [DOB's YouTube channel](#) for tutorials on all DOB NOW functions.

New in DOB NOW: Gas Work Qualification



Effective January 1, 2020, the Department will require anyone performing gas work to possess either a Department-issued Master Plumber License or a Qualification for Gas Work, pursuant to [Local Law 150 of 2016](#).

Certificate of Competence holders (Certificate Only Plumbers) will also need to obtain a Qualification for Gas Work if performing gas work on or after January 1, 2020.

DOB NOW: Licensing is the only method to apply for Gas Work Qualifications and new requests for Journeyman Plumber registrations.

NOTE: The Gas Work Qualification is a New York City Code requirement that applies to individuals performing gas work ♦ it is *different* from the Gas Operator

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Did You Know?

The [Site Safety Professional Annual Report](#) on the implementation of [Local Law 224 of 2017](#) is now available online. The report includes information on the Site Safety Manager and Site Safety Coordinator certification process and a census of on-the-job certificate

Qualification which is being required by local utilities to do inspections and/or maintenance on USDOT jurisdictional gas piping.

holders and active sites requiring site safety professionals.

For more details, please see the [Service Update](#).

Updates to Elevator Compliance Filing Submissions

In order to better facilitate the transition to online-only elevator compliance filings, the Department has issued a series of five follow-up notices to the [July Service Notice](#) detailing the new requirements for filings in [DOB NOW: Safety](#). Make sure you're up to date with the latest information to ensure compliance and prevent penalties.

Follow-up #1: Additional information regarding DOB's Service Notice that paper elevator compliance filings will not be accepted after August 31 and effective September 17 must be submitted online.

Follow-up #2: To accommodate owners and industry members in transitioning to DOB NOW, the Department will continue to allow paper filings in certain other circumstances.

Follow-up #3: The deadline for resubmissions is extended to June 30, 2019 for 'rejected' Elevator Inspection/Test Reports (ELV3) and Affirmation of Correction (ELV29) filings for 2017 and prior year reporting cycles.

Follow-up #4: To facilitate the transition to DOB NOW, elevator inspection reports, elevator test reports, and Affirmations of Correction filings submitted in DOB NOW: [Safety](#) between November 12, 2018 and March 31, 2019 will not be charged late fees.

Follow-up #5: New option in DOB NOW: [Safety](#) to allow for Elevator Inspection/Test Reports (ELV3) to be filed without a Witnessing Agency.

Major Disciplinary Cases

\$112,000 in penalties issued to property owner Choi Kin Li for converting a legal two-family home at 1118 65th Street, Brooklyn into an illegal 6-family home, by constructing four additional apartments in the cellar, first floor and second floor.

\$81,250 in penalties issued to property owner 324 East 14 St. LLC for the illegal transient use of an apartment at 324 East 14th Street, Manhattan, that was being rented out on Airbnb. Violations were also issued for illegal work without a permit, and safety issues found in the apartment.

\$80,000 in penalties issued to Hylan New Dorp Realty LLC and Lamar Advertising of Penn LLC for two illegal outdoor advertising signs displayed at 2506 Hylan Boulevard, Staten Island.

\$10,000 in penalties issued to contractor Surjeet Singh, at 91-22 175th Street, Queens, for a failure to safeguard their construction site, a new building project at the location. The site was missing guard rails around floor openings in the building, and the staircases contained excessive construction debris.

DOB publishes monthly bulletins detailing the agency's efforts to sanction and deter bad actors in the construction industry. You can find this information posted on the [Enforcement Action Bulletin](#) page of our website.

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