

Buildings news update

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Seminar Topics Announced For In-Person Industry Conference



Calling all construction industry and design professionals! Topics have been officially announced for this year's slate of seminars at our 2022 build safe | live safe in-person industry conference, scheduled for Friday, July 29th, 2022.

With 15 different seminars available, the all-day conference located in Lower Manhattan will feature our largest course offering to date. All of the seminars will be presented by DOB experts, and have been submitted for AIA CES for continuing education credit approval.

[Tickets are still available, click here to register today.](#)

2022 build safe | live safe Conference Seminars Topics:

- 2022 Code Revision Overview & Major Projects Program
- 2022 NYC Building Code: Accessibility
- 2022 Building Code & Flood Resilient Construction
- 2022 Code Changes: Mechanical, Fuel, Gas & Plumbing
- 2022 Code Updates for Fire Protection
- Chapter 33: 2022 Code Revision Highlights
- Code Updates: Combustible Exterior Wall Coverings
- Energy Code Compliance
- Cold Formed Steel: Case Studies & Common Errors
- Electrical Changes & Other Requirements
- Parking Structures: Ins & Outs of the New Code & Rule
- NYC Department of Buildings Innovation Challenges
- Mass Timber
- Underpinnings & Geotechnical Peer Review
- Tenant Protection Plans: Requirements & Recent Updates

Buildings After Hours



Every Tuesday evening, from 4:00pm to 7:00pm, DOB's five borough offices are open late, providing one-on-one consultations for homeowners, small business owners, tenants and building managers.

This free weekly customer service event runs throughout the year, and is a great opportunity for New Yorkers to meet directly with DOB experts in-person to get answers to their questions about city construction regulations, receive guidance on resolving DOB-issued violations, or get started on the right foot with advice for their next renovation project.

So bring your questions, and stop on by at your local borough office for Buildings After Hours. No appointment necessary.

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Construction Site Safety Regulations



New updates to regulations and procedures are now in effect for design professionals, contractors and site safety professionals working in NYC.

As of July 15th, 2022, Site Safety Plans (SSP) can be submitted in DOB NOW: *Build* before the job is approved by the Department. In addition, new SSP submissions are no longer required for subsequent filings for the same job in DOB NOW.

As of June 1, 2022, the Department of Buildings is no longer issuing permits if the Construction Superintendent designated on the permit application is already designated on five or more active permits. This regulation is pursuant to [Local Law 149 of 2021](#), which reduced the number of jobs a Construction Superintendent can work on at the same time.

[Read our latest Service Notice for more information about these changes, and more procedural updates at DOB](#)

DOB NOW Updates



In response to feedback received from our customers at recent Q&A Sessions and Industry Meetings, the following system update was made to DOB NOW: *Build*:

- "Incomplete reasons" provided by a Chief or Assistant Chief Plan Examiner during the Department's plan review process are now appearing on the Objections/Appointments tab in DOB NOW, and are no longer on the Trace History page. The "incomplete reasons" are also provided in the email notification sent to all stakeholders on the filing.

Join us for one of our [upcoming online borough-specific Q&A Sessions and Industry Meetings](#). Every week, DOB holds these online events for industry professionals and members of the public, which are a great opportunity to stay in the loop with the latest updates at the Department, get your job-specific and regulation questions answered, and provide feedback on ways we can improve existing Department processes.

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