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**Construction Safety Week Kicks Off** 

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From May 1st through May 7th, DOB is kicking off a safety awareness campaign as part of Construction Safety Week. DOB representatives will be visiting construction sites across the City all this week, talking to workers and handing out information about safe construction practices. During Construction Safety Week, DOB will be highlighting the message that "Experience is Not Enough" to prevent an accident on the work site.

#### **Experience Is Not Enough Flyer**

**Construction Worker Safety** 

#### DOB Safety Conference Just Days Away



The DOB Build Safe Live Safe Conference is scheduled for this Wednesday, May 3rd at the New York Marriott Downtown in Lower Manhattan. Part of

### Service Updates

**New Electrical Advisory Board Submission Requirement** Asbestos Abatement Compliance Required

**Cash Payment** Restrictions

Gas Piping Work **Civil Penalty Amnesty Program** 

eRenewal **Requirement Updates** 

**Development HUB Consultation Request Form Updated** 

LAA Filings Fire Stopping Requirements

Gas Work **Qualification Requirements** 

**Registered Construction** Superintendents Continued Enforcement of Active Job Designations

Interactive Voice Response Phone System Launched Enhances Consistency and Efficiency

#### Code Notes

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All Code Notes

#### Hearings + Rules

#### Amendment of Cranes and Derricks Rules

1 RCNY 3319-01 (effective 05.24.17) The amendments completely revises the provisions in subdivision (g) related to the certificate of on-site inspections, establishes a new requirement for a crane or derrick log to be maintained at the job site, adds a requirement for an assembly / disassembly director to be designated and charged with ensuring compliance with the approved assembly / disassembly plan, and mandates that the wind be measured via an anemometer.

Construction Safety Week, the conference will have presentations on a variety of topics dealing with the construction industry. Tickets for this year's conference have sold out, but all of the presentations will be made available on our website after the event.

2017 Conference Topics & 2016 Conference Presentations

#### **OneNYC 2017 Progress Report Released**



*OneNYC* is our City's comprehensive strategic plan for inclusive and sustainable growth, which was first introduced in 2015. The *OneNYC* 2017 Progress Report was recently released, detailing the steps the City has taken in reaching these goals, along with further actions the City is taking. From adopting policies to better support coastal protection, to updating the City s Energy Code for greater efficiency in buildings, DOB is committed to supporting the City's vision of creating a more resilient and sustainable city.

**Press Release** 

OneNYC 2017 Progress Report

#### Solar Power Energy Projects On The Rise

New York City now produces a combined 105 megawatts of electricity from solar power installations, well on the way to the City's goals of producing 1 gigawatt of solar capacity by 2030 and reducing the City's greenhouse gas emissions 80 percent by 2050. DOB is helping the City reach these goals thanks to our streamlined solar project application process, reducing wait times and costs for New Yorkers looking to incorporate solar power into their buildings.

**Press Release** 

Solar Panel Installation Projects

Solar Panel Installation FAQ

#### Deadline Approaching to Register Under City's Loft Law

There is still time to submit your loft apartment registration and coverage application to the NYC Loft Board. The deadline to apply for coverage under the loft law is June 15, 2017, and you must file your application with the Loft Board by this date. To get more information, visit the NYC Loft Board website or call 212-393-2616.

#### Loft Board Website

#### **Owner Registration Application**

**Rule For Lift Directors** 

1 RCNY 3319-02 (effective 05.24.17) This rule mandates that a lift director be present at a construction site while a crane or derrick is performing certain tasks, to verify compliance with New York City regulations and to ensure weather conditions are monitored and the crane or derrick properly secured.

#### **Rule For Sign Hangers**

1 RCNY 105-04 (effective 4/7/17) This rule allows licensed sign hangers (Master Sign Hangers and Special Sign Hangers) to file applications to hoist, lower, hang, or attach certain wallmounted, accessory signs and related structural elements (e.g. frames or columns) that comply with specified size and location requirements.

#### **Rule For Riggers and Sign Hangers**

- 1 RCNY 11-01 (effective 5/25/17)
- 1 RCNY 25-01 (effective 5/25/17)
- 1 RCNY 104-05 (effective 5/25/17)
- 1 RCNY 104-06 (effective 5/25/17)
- 1 RCNY 104-20 (effective 5/25/17)
- 1 RCNY 104-21 (effective 5/25/17)

The above rules relate to reinstatement of licenses, continuing education requirements, and supervisory responsibilities of riggers and sign hangers.

All Department Rules

## 2014 Construction Code Updates

Update Page # 24 reflects changes made by Local Law 159 of 2016 (effective 04.05.17), in relation to designating violations of existing law regarding gas piping systems as immediately hazardous.

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

All Update Pages for the 2014 NYC Construction Codes.

#### Website Updates

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#### **Conversation With Buildings Commissioner**

NYC Buildings Commissioner Rick Chandler will be at the AIA New York Center for Architecture on Friday, May 5th for a free, public discussion on recent changes at the Department and the latest trends in the construction industry. Register to reserve your seat today.

Center for Architecture Event Information

#### **Disciplinary Cases**

The Department brought criminal court charges against the corporate owners of a building that failed to file fa@ade inspection reports for three successive cycles. As a result of the actions taken by the Department, the building owners complied and submitted the required report.

A Master Rigger failed to properly carry out his job functions in a safe manner, which resulted in injuries to fellow workers. The Department suspended the Master Rigger s license as a result.

Additional Disciplinary Actions & Voluntary Surrenders

Industry Code of Conduct for Construction Professionals

#### Licensing Updates

Obtain a: General Contractor Registration Obtain a: Class A Hoisting Machine Operator License Obtain a: Class B Hoisting Machine Operator License Obtain a: NYC Class 1 Filing Representative Registration Obtain a: NYC Class 2 Code and Zoning Representative Registration Obtain a: NYC Welder License Obtain a: Master Plumber License Obtain a: Special Rigger License Obtain a: Master Sign Hanger License Obtain a: Special Sign Hanger License Obtain a: Private Elevator Inspection Agency Director and Co-Director License Obtain a: Private Elevator Inspector Agency License Obtain a: Class A or B Oil Burner Equipment Installer License Obtain a: Class A, B or C Master Fire Suppression Piping Contractor License Obtain a: High Pressure Boiler Operating Engineer License Obtain a: Safety Registration Number License Renewal: Elevator Director License Renewal: Elevator Inspector License Renewal: Master & Special Electrician Hoisting Machine Operator C Supplemental Investigation Questionnaire LIC33 LIC61

DOB NOW: Safety

DOB NOW Public Portal

DOB NOW Registration Tips

Construction Related Accident Reports

#### **Did You Know**

Starting Monday, May 1st, 2017, all excavators and contractors will be required to provide DOB with an 811 notification ticket number, prior to the start of any excavation project in the City.

This 811 notification ticket number can be obtained through the 811 One Call phone number or online at www.newyork-811.com.

Industry Notice

#### **Job Postings**

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