

Buildings news update

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DOB NOW: Build Expansion for General Construction & Other Work Types Launches on December 28, 2020, Training Still Available



DOB NOW: Build is undergoing a major upgrade and expansion. Phase One of this expansion launches on December 28, 2020 and starting on that day, the following will be required to be submitted via [DOB NOW](#):

- **General Construction (GC)** - for all job types other than New Buildings. *New Buildings (NB) jobs must continue to be filed in BIS with GC as only work type until Phase Two.*
- **Foundation (FO)** - all foundation work.
- **Earthwork (EA)** - all earthwork.
- **Support of Excavation (SE)** - all support of excavation work.
- **Protection & Mechanical Methods (PMM)** - all protection and mechanical methods.

Please see the [Service Notice](#) for full details on what's changing in Phase One. Phase Two of the DOB NOW expansion, set to begin later this winter, will include Job/Project Types and Certificate of Occupancy transactions. A Service Notice will be posted with dates and further details ahead of that launch.

In conjunction with the upcoming DOB NOW changes, the Department of Buildings is providing free online training on the new features. If you are a Design Professional, Filing Representative, General Contractor, or other Licensee with a role in the above applications, please sign up for one of the remaining trainings on our [DOB NOW Training Page](#).

To log into DOB NOW, you will need an active **eFiling** account based on your license/registration type. To create an eFiling account, visit the DOB NOW Registration Page at www.nyc.gov/dobnowtips. For questions or further assistance with DOB NOW, please use the DOB NOW Help Form at www.nyc.gov/dobnowhelp.

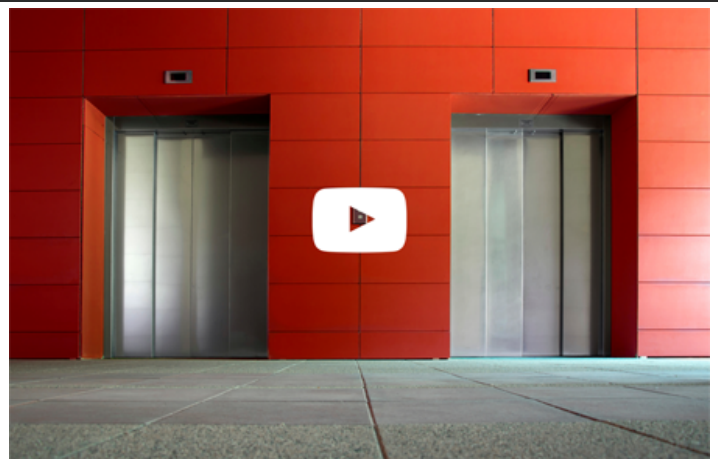
Take a Few Minutes to Learn More About Elevator Safety

Did you know that New York City has over 90,000 elevators that complete more than 45 million trips per day?

Elevators are a huge part of living and working in the city so elevator safety is a big factor in our everyday lives.

If you want to learn more about elevator safety, then [watch the first installment of our new series of DOB informational videos](#). In this episode, you'll hear about what you can do if your elevator ever gets stuck or is in need of repair as well as other useful elevator safety tips.

You can also stay tuned to upcoming Buildings informational videos by subscribing to [DOB's YouTube channel](#) and following us on [Twitter](#), [Facebook](#), and [Instagram](#) where we'll post links to new content.



Help New York City Stop the Spread: Get Tested



Every New Yorker can do their part to slow the spread of COVID-19 by getting tested now, whether or not you are experiencing symptoms or are at increased risk.

The COVID-19 diagnostic test is safe, free, and easy.

There are convenient testing sites all across New York City, as well as mobile testing units visiting different locations throughout the five boroughs.

To find a testing location near you:

Text **"COVID test"** to **855-48**;

Or

Visit: [NYC.gov/COVIDTest](https://nyc.gov/COVIDTest)

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