

THE CITY OF NEW YORK
HOUSING AND DEVELOPMENT ADMINISTRATION
DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS

DEPARTMENTAL MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 23, 1977

TO: Edward L. Jirak, City-Wide Chief Inspector - OCE

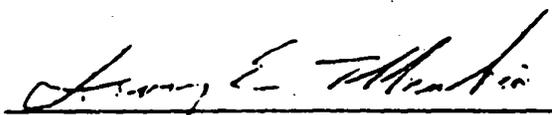
FROM: Director of Operations Irving E. Minkin

SUBJECT: CELOTEX CEILINGS, ETC.

In accordance with your request regarding filing requirements for certain ceiling installations, in a memorandum dated January 4, 1977, you are advised that new ceilings applied with adhesive directly to the existing ceiling, or placed on furring strips that were directly over the existing ceiling can be considered ordinary repairs, and exempt from filing requirements with this department provided:

1. You are satisfied as to the judgment of your staff in ascertaining adequacy of the fastening of the new ceilings to the existing ceiling.
2. The ceilings described by you are restricted to the interior of apartments only, in Class 3 (non-fireproof) or Class 4 (frame) buildings only, are not affixed to ceilings or assemblies required to have a fire resistive rating, and neither the new or existing ceilings constitute hung ceilings.
3. If the violations to repair a ceiling were issued subsequent to a fire, it will be necessary that repairs not be made until at least a week after the fire damage occurred, in order to avoid shrinkage of any water-damaged members which would weaken the connection of the new ceilings.

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