

UPCOMING CHANGE

ADHESIVE ANCHOR CERTIFICATION REQUIRED

Soon, adhesive anchor installers will be required to be certified to install anchors in the horizontal or upwardly inclined position when the anchors are supporting sustained tension loads.

ACI/CRSI Adhesive Anchor Installer Certification is offered by the American Concrete Institute (ACI) and the Concrete Reinforcing Steel Institute (CRSI).

This new requirement is part of the **2014 Construction Codes**, <u>effective</u> <u>October 1, 2014</u>. In addition, adhesive anchors installed in the horizontal or upwardly inclined position when the anchors are supporting sustained tension loads will require continuous special inspection by a Special Inspection Agency registered with the Department (BC 1704.32, ACI 318 §D9.2.4).

- Architects and Engineers filing plans with the Department under the 2014 Codes must identify adhesive anchors that require certified installers on the plans filed with the Department.
- **Contractors** responsible for installation of adhesive anchors must use certified installers to perform such work.
- **Special Inspection Agencies** responsible for the special inspection of adhesive anchors must verify the required certification of the installer.

Failure to have required certification when installing adhesive anchors may result in violations and Stop Work Orders (BC §1912.1, ACI 318 §D9.2.2)

Certification courses available through ACI (<u>http://www.concrete.org/certification</u>): ACI/CRSI Adhesive Anchor Installer Certification

For information regarding the effective date of the 2014 Codes, please see <u>Buildings Bulletin 2014-006</u>.