

UPCOMING CHANGE

2014 NYC Construction Codes: Special Inspections for Demolitions

Effective December 31, 2014, new Special Inspection requirements will be in effect for demolition operations. See 2014 NYC Building Code §1704.20 for more information.

Mechanical Demolition Special Inspections During Demolitions

A Special Inspection for mechanical demolition is required when:

1. The demolition project requires demolition submittal documents; **and**
2. Mechanical equipment (other than handheld devices) is used within the building to fully or partially demolish the building; **or**

Mechanical equipment (other than handheld devices) is used to move material/debris within the building during a full or partial demolition.

Structural Stability Special Inspections During Demolitions

During the course of an alteration to an existing building, a Special Inspection for structural stability must be performed when a demolition operation:

1. Transfers loads from one structural system to another; **or**
2. Temporarily diminishes of the stability or integrity of a structural system.

The full demolition of a building will not trigger the requirement for a structural stability Special Inspection.