

UPCOMING CHANGE

2014 NYC Construction Codes: Special Inspection Agency Registration – UPDATED

The 2014 NYC Construction Codes' effective date is now December 31, 2014. Beginning December 31, new Special Inspection categories, registration and filing requirements will be in effect for Special Inspectors and Special Inspection Agencies (SIAs).

These changes update the May 2013 SIA registration and Class 1 SIA accreditation deadlines. See the [2014 NYC Construction Codes \(Local Law 141 of 2013\)](#) and the proposed amendments to the Special Inspectors and Special Inspection Agencies Rule [1 RCNY 101-06](#).

SIAs Registered for 2008 Codes – Corresponding 2014 Categories

Agencies previously registered as an SIA for the 2008 Codes Special Inspections will automatically have their registrations updated with corresponding Special Inspection categories published in the 2014 Codes and 1 RCNY 101-06. See [Buildings Bulletin # 2014-017](#).

New Special Inspection Categories in the 2014 Codes

For new Special Inspection categories included in the 2014 Codes and 1 RCNY 101-06, registration begins August 1, 2014 and is required by December 31, 2014. This applies to previously registered SIAs and new SIAs.

Accreditation will be required by December 31, 2015 for Class 1 agencies registered for the following new special inspections categories introduced in the 2014 Codes: Mastic and Intumescent Fire-resistant Coatings, High Temperature Hot Water Piping (Welding), Post-Installed Anchors, Raising and Moving of a Building.

For all other special inspection categories, registration for all Classes and accreditation for Class 1 agencies was required by May 12, 2013.

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Key Changes to Special Inspections Under the 2014 Codes

See [Building Bulletin # 2014 – 017](#) for a comparison of Special Inspections between the 2008 and 2014 Codes. The following is a list of key changes.

- There are three new Special Inspection items in the [online registration](#), SIA1-Special Inspection Agency form and the [TR1-Technical Report](#) form:
 1. Mastic and Intumescent Fire-resistant Coatings (NYC Building Code §1704.12);
 2. High Temperature Hot Water Piping (Welding) (BC §1704.18); and
 3. Post-installed Anchors (BC §1704.32).
- SIAs registered for Pile Foundations under the 2008 Codes will be automatically registered for Deep Foundations and Helical Piles under the 2014 Codes.
- SIAs registered for Structural Steel – Erection & Bolting under the 2008 Codes will be automatically registered for Structural Steel Details and Structural Steel High Strength Bolting under the 2014 Codes.
- Fire alarm test inspections under the 2008 Codes are not required under the 2014 Codes.
- Code section references have been revised to accommodate the new inspection items.
- Special Inspection items have been relabeled to reflect 2014 Code requirements.

Form Changes – Upcoming Effective Dates

- August 1, 2014: The SIA1 form and online registration will include the new inspection categories, allowing SIAs to register for these new inspections in upcoming 2014 projects.
- On or after December 31, 2014: The SIA1 form and online registration will include the 2014 code changes and the relabeled inspection categories mentioned above and corresponding code section reference changes.

To learn more about Special Inspection Agency requirements, see [1 RCNY 101-06](#) or visit the [OTCR section](#) page on our website.