

UPCOMING CHANGE

2014 NYC Construction Codes: Site Safety Notifications

Effective December 31, 2014, new site safety notification requirements will be in effect for site safety managers or site safety coordinators at major building projects.

Under the 2014 NYC Construction Codes – specifically, 2014 NYC Building Code §3310.8.2.1 – the site safety manager or site safety coordinator at a major building must immediately notify the Department when they discover any of following:

1. A person is operating a crane, derrick, or hoisting equipment on the site without a permit;
2. A crane is being operated by an unlicensed operator;
3. A flagperson is not present while a crane is hoisting or swinging a load over a street or sidewalk;
4. Required sidewalk sheds are not in place;
5. A sidewalk shed has been or is being installed without a permit;
6. A sidewalk shed has not passed its required installation inspection or an installation inspection report for the sidewalk shed is not on site;
7. During the construction of a new building, once the working deck reaches a height of 75 feet, required standpipe is not in place on each floor served by permanent stairs;
8. During the full demolition of a building, required standpipe is not in place at each story below the demolition floor;
9. Required standpipe valves are not in place;
10. Required standpipe is not capped;
11. Required standpipe is not connected to a water source or fire department connection;
12. Required standpipe fire department hose connection is obstructed;
13. The required red light and sign marking a standpipe connection were not provided, or they are missing or inoperative and the contractor does not immediately replace them;
14. A breach exists in the required standpipe risers, cross connections or fire department connections;
15. The standpipe alarm activates;
16. There is no elevator in readiness or hoist available for FDNY use when a building being constructed reaches at or above 75 feet in height, or a building being demolished is above 75 feet in height; or
17. An accident or incident requiring notification of the Department occurs.

The required notification must be made to the Department of Buildings Emergency Operations Center by calling (212) 393 – 2128.

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