

FY '17 REGULATORY AGENDA OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUILDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 1042 OF THE CITY ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURE ACT

The Rules of the New York City Department of Buildings are authorized pursuant to Section 643 of the New York City Charter and are found in Title 1 of the **Rules of the City of New York**. The Rules are supplementary and include interpretive technical rulings as well as administrative procedure necessary to carry out the law.

Promulgation of the following rules and regulations of the Department of Buildings is anticipated by the first day of July 2017:

1. Rules necessary to implement the 2014 New York City Construction Codes

Persons affected – Building owners, developers, contractors, tenants, licensed trades, labor and the public.

Relevant laws – Local law 141 of 2013

Anticipated schedule – First half of FY'17

2. Energy code

This rule will be updated to match the sections in the revised New York City Energy Code.

Persons affected – Owners, managers and tenants of buildings; energy professionals, registered design professionals, energy modelers, energy inspectors, builders, construction cost estimators, real estate finance professionals.

Relevant laws – NYC Energy Code, as effective October 3, 2016

Anticipated schedule – First half of FY'17

Contact person – Gina Bocra, Chief Sustainability Officer, (212)393-2086

3. Commissioning requirements

This rule would match the state requirements for commissioning report, found in §C408 of the NYC Energy Code.

Persons affected – Owners, managers and tenants of buildings with mechanical equipment exceeding 480,000 Btu/h cooling capacity or 600,000 Btu/h heating capacity; energy professionals, registered design professionals, energy modelers, energy inspectors, construction cost estimators, real estate finance professionals.

Relevant laws – NYC Energy Code §C408

Anticipated schedule – First half of FY'17

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4. Air-leakage Testing requirements

Rule will address requirements for air-leakage testing under the new NYC Energy Code.

Persons affected – Owners and builders of new commercial buildings exceeding 25,000 square feet; energy professionals, registered design professionals, energy inspectors, construction cost estimators, real estate finance professionals.

Relevant laws – NYC Energy Code §C402, as effective October 3, 2016

Anticipated schedule – First half of FY'17

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5. Rule relating to applicants and filing representatives who fail to appear for plan examination appointments.

Rule will allow the Department to take action against applicants and filing representatives who repeatedly fail to appear for appointments and fail to cancel in advance or who repeatedly fail to bring all necessary documents for examination.

Persons Affected – Applicants and filing representatives

Relevant laws – A.C. §28-104.2

Anticipated schedule – Second half of FY'17

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