

# UPCOMING CHANGE

## Electrical Code: ECB Violations for Non-Compliance

Beginning July 1, 2012, electrical work that does not meet the NYC 2011 Electrical Code is subject to Environmental Control Board Notices of Violations, or ECB violations.

### Notice of Objections

If the Department identifies non-compliant electrical work on open and permitted jobs, a Notice of Objection will be issued to the licensed electrician. Failure to resolve the objection is a basis for an ECB violation.

### ECB Notices of Violation

When objections are not corrected, a Department inspector may issue violations to licensed contractors, unlicensed contractors, owners, lessees and/or other responsible individuals or entities. The three classes of violations are related to the severity of the conditions observed:

- Class 1 – Immediately Hazardous
- Class 2 – Major
- Class 3 – Lesser

### ECB Hearings

Violations include a hearing date, time and place where the Environmental Control Board will adjudicate the violation. If this administrative tribunal upholds the violation, a fine will be imposed. **Respondents, including building owners (or their representative) must attend the ECB hearing or a maximum default penalty – up to \$25,000 – may be issued.** ECB violation information is available in the [Buildings Information System](http://nyc.gov/buildings) at nyc.gov/buildings.

### Resolving ECB Violations

Open or uncorrected violations are in the public record, and they can prevent an owner from selling or refinancing a property, or obtaining a new Certificate of Occupancy or Letter of Completion. To resolve an ECB violation:

1. Correct the conditions cited on the violation;
2. Certify the correction with the Department by submitting a Certificate of Correction (AEU2) form and supporting documentation to the Administrative Enforcement Unit on the fifth floor at 280 Broadway in Manhattan; and
3. Pay applicable penalties to the ECB.

### Upcoming Electrical Open Houses

To learn more, attend one of the Department's upcoming open houses, from 4:30pm – 6:30pm:

Manhattan Borough Office	Tuesday, June 12, 2012
Queens Borough Office	Thursday, June 14, 2012
Brooklyn Borough Office	Thursday, June 21, 2012

Email [efilinginformation@buildings.nyc.gov](mailto:efilinginformation@buildings.nyc.gov) to RSVP and indicate which session you'll attend.

Michael R. Bloomberg, Mayor  
Robert D. LiMandri, Commissioner

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