Hazardous Formwork: Visual Observations

In addition to the inspections required by the contractor pursuant to BC 3305.3.3.1, a qualified observer shall perform visual observations of the formwork to validate general conformance with the design intent.

The observations shall be performed by an observer with the following qualifications:

1. The formwork designer;
2. An employee of the formwork designer under his or her direct supervision;
3. A registered design professional retained by the formwork designer; or
4. An employee of such retained registered design professional under the direct supervision of such retained registered design professional.

Effective June 1, 2015, observed formwork conditions hazardous to life, safety, or health which has not been immediately corrected by the responsible contractor shall be reported to the Department of Buildings by the formwork observer.

- Department of Buildings must be contacted by email and phone:
  - Formwork@buildings.nyc.gov
  - CEU Hotline: (212) 393-2730