

BUREAU OF FIRE PREVENTION

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Enforcement of Fire Drills and Non-Fire Emergency (EAP) Drills to Resume May 1, 2023

On or about March 13, 2020, as concern mounted about the transmission of COVID-19 in New York City, the Fire Department issued a notice advising building owners that it would not enforce timeframes for Fire Code-required building fire drills and non-fire emergency (EAP) drills until further notice. Pursuant to the March 13, 2020 Notice, building owners were authorized, but not required, to postpone such drills.

COVID-19 restrictions have eased and the Bureau of Fire Prevention has observed that occupancies of all types are increasingly being re-occupied. Based upon these factors, the March 13, 2020 Notice is hereby rescinded. Effective May 1, 2023, the Fire Department will resume its enforcement of fire and non-fire emergency (EAP) drills required by New York City Fire Code Section FC401.7 and Fire Department Rule 3 RCNY §401-07.

Building owners who have questions about the requirements in Section FC401.7, 3 RCNY §401-07, or this notice may contact the Fire Department by calling New York City 311 and asking for the Fire Department's Customer Service Center. Questions may also be submitted to the Customer Service Center by emailing FDNY.BusinessSupport@fdny.nyc.gov.

Dated: March 28, 2023 Brooklyn, New York

By Order of the Chief of Fire Prevention