

# NEW YORK CITY'S NEW CONSTRUCTION SAFETY REGULATIONS

## HOW LOCAL LAW 196 IMPACTS YOUR JOB SITE

Faced with an increasing number of construction work site accidents and fatalities, the City Council introduced the Construction Safety Act in January 2017. The proposals introduced then have worked their way through the legislative process, resulting in Local Law 196, which went into effect in October 2017.

Local Law 196 details the worker safety training that is required of workers on any job site where city regulations mandate that a construction superintendent, site safety coordinator, or site safety manager be present. Training is not required for workers at jobsites that involve the construction of residential structures—including new one-, two-, or three-family homes.

### IMPORTANT DEADLINE!

All workers must complete 30 hours of DOB-approved safety training by **December 1, 2019** & an additional 10 hours of training by **September 1, 2020**.

Supervisors are required to complete 62 hours of DOB-approved safety training by **December 1, 2019**.

#### WORKER TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

LIMITED SST CARD (30 HOURS)  
COMPLETE BY DECEMBER 1, 2019

##### OSHA 30-HOUR CLASS:

NOTE: For the purposes of the December 1, 2019 training deadline, an OSHA 30 card or a Limited SST Card will serve as acceptable proof that a worker has received the aforementioned training.

##### OSHA 10-HOUR CLASS WITH 20 HOURS OF ADDITIONAL TRAINING:

OSHA 10-Hour Class

8-Hour Fall Prevention

8-Hour Chapter 33 OR 4-Hour General Electives & 4-Hour Specialized Electives

4-Hour Supported Scaffold User and Refresher

##### 100-HOUR TRAINING PROGRAM APPROVED BY THE DOB

#### SUPERVISOR TRAINING REQUIREMENTS

TOTAL OF 62 HOURS  
COMPLETE BY DECEMBER 1, 2019

OSHA 30-hour Class

8-Hour Fall Prevention

8-Hour Chapter 33

4-Hour Supported Scaffold User & Refresher

2-Hour Site Safety Plan

2-Hour Tool Box Talks

2-Hour Pre-Task Safety Meetings

2-Hour General Electives

2-Hour Specialized Electives

2-Hour Drug & Alcohol Awareness

NOTE: Training received within the prior five years of applying for an SST Card, including a Limited SST Card, SST Card or Supervisor SST Card can be applied toward the requirements for receiving the card. Applicants who completed the training beyond five years may complete Prior Experience training, which includes 4-Hour Fall Prevention & 4-Hour Supported Scaffold User and Refresher, to receive credit for such training.

Upon completing necessary coursework, personnel receive an SST card certifying their level of safety training. Employers and the DOB have the ability to verify an individual's card holder status.

**FREE CONSTRUCTION SAFETY COURSES ARE AVAILABLE FROM THE NYC DEPT. OF SMALL BUSINESS SERVICES**

### THE IMPACT OF LOCAL LAW 196 ON PROPERTY OWNERS AND DEVELOPERS

In an effort to reinforce the importance of construction worksite safety, the DOB has committed to vigorously enforcing Local Law 196. This means increased inspections, **with civil fines of up to \$5,000 per untrained worker** being levied on the owner of the site, the permit holder, and the employer of the untrained worker.

To avoid the needless expense and project slowdowns associated with DOB violations, property owners and developers must exercise due diligence when selecting builders. DOB inspectors can ask any worker on any site at any time about their training. You want to be sure everything is in order.

## Building New York's Best Possible Tomorrow, Today.

Talisen Construction Corp is committed to work place safety. We make sure our team is always in compliance with DOB, OSHA, Client requirements and Talisen regulations when meeting training standards, and we work closely with our subcontractors to ensure they are in compliance.

To learn more about Talisen and the exciting work we're doing right now, visit [TalisenConstructionCorp.com](http://TalisenConstructionCorp.com)



### MARK CALTABIANO FIELD COMPLIANCE AND SAFETY MANAGER

With over 30 years of experience in the industry, Mark has a strong background in construction and safety. As Field Compliance and Safety Manager, Mark works closely with every aspect of project delivery in the field to ensure that a strong safety culture is practiced by all representatives of Talisen Construction. Marks plays a major role in every project, frequently performing jobsite audits, working with superintendents to ensure compliance, and establishing policies and programs to excel in the area of workplace safety.

Mr. Caltabiano is a foremost resource for construction safety in the New York City region and continues to strive towards a culture of safety excellence with Talisen Construction.

#### SOURCES:

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