

**PROMULGATION OF RULE 27-04 RELATING TO 311
ADVISORY SIGNS REQUIRED ON CONSTRUCTION SITES.**

Pursuant to Section 1043 of the New York City Charter, this rule was previously published in the City Record on December 4, 2003, and a public hearing was held on January 05, 2004. The Department of Buildings hereby adopts the following rule relating to 311 advisory signs required on construction sites.

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Dated: July , 2004
New York, New York

Patricia J. Lancaster, FAIA
Commissioner

Section 1. Chapter 27 of Title 1 of the Rules of the City of New York is hereby amended by adding a new section 27-04, to read as follows:

New Material is indicated by underlining.

Section 27- 04. 311 Advisory Signs Required on Construction Sites

- (a) Applicability. Pursuant to subdivision (a) of Section 27-1009 of the Administrative Code, at least one sign shall be placed at any site of construction for which a New Building or Demolition permit is required. Such sign(s) shall contain the words "TO ANONYMOUSLY REPORT UNSAFE CONDITIONS AT THIS WORK SITE, CALL 311" (referred to herein as a "311 advisory sign") in both English and Spanish.
- (b) Location. 311 advisory signs shall be placed at a height no more than twelve feet above ground and shall be prominently placed on each perimeter of a construction site fronting on a public thoroughfare.
- (c) Visibility. The letters on 311 advisory signs shall be black on white background and be no less than six inches high.

STATEMENT OF BASIS AND PURPOSE

In the interest of construction site safety and in accordance with Administrative Code Section 27-1009, the Department is promulgating new rule 1 Rules of the City of New York Section 27-04 to ensure that workers on certain construction sites have a means of anonymously reporting unsafe conditions on their work sites. While construction workers may occasionally receive instructions to perform work in an unsafe manner, many such workers may feel that protesting unsafe practices would result in retaliation from their employers. The posting of 311 advisory signs on these or "the specified" construction sites would notify workers that they can report unsafe work conditions anonymously, without directly confronting their employers and risking their jobs.