

NYC Sign Code Quick Reference

A cross-referenced list of the official New York City resources every business, architect, and contractor needs for sign permits — DOB, LPC, DOT, and the Zoning Resolution, all in one place.

Department of Buildings (DOB)

DOB NOW: Build

The online portal for filing and tracking sign work permit applications.

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/buildings/dob-now/dob-now.page>

DOB Sign Permit Information

Official overview of sign permit requirements and filing steps.

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/buildings/business/sign-permits.page>

DOB Building Information System (BIS)

Look up property records, permits, and violations by address or BIN.

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/buildings/bis/bis.page>

Landmarks Preservation Commission (LPC)

LPC Permit Portal

File for a certificate of no effect or appropriateness for landmarked properties.

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/lpc/applications/permit-portal.page>

LPC Historic Districts Map

Check whether your property sits inside a landmark district.

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/lpc/about/historic-districts.page>

Zoning & special districts

NYC Zoning Resolution

Search sign regulations by zoning district, including sign area and height limits.

<https://zr.planning.nyc.gov/>

Zoning and Land Use Map (ZoLa)

Interactive map showing zoning, special districts, and landmarks by address.

<https://zola.planning.nyc.gov/>

Department of Transportation (DOT)

DOT Construction & Sidewalk Permits

Permits for scaffolding, sidewalk sheds, and lift equipment used during installation.

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/dot/business/construction-permits.page>

DOT Highway Rules

Rules governing signs projecting over sidewalks and the public way.

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/dot/rules/highway-rules.page>

Business & compliance

NYC Business Portal

Start, run, and expand a business in NYC, including required permits.

<https://www.nyc.gov/site/business/index.page>

NYC Open Data - DOB Permits

Downloadable dataset of issued DOB permits for research and verification.

<https://data.cityofnewyork.us/Housing-Development/DOB-Permit-Issuance/ipu4-m2q6>

Skip the portal-hopping — let KBC Signs file for you.

We know which of these resources apply to your building and handle the filings across DOB, LPC, and DOT. Request a quote at kbcsigns.com/quote or email sales@kbcsigns.com.

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