



**Building Standards  
and Codes**

# **Self-Study: Overview of Alterations in the 2020 EBCNYS**

**A Division of New York Department of State**

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# Course Information

This self-study course has been approved by the Department of State for In-Service training credit as follows:

- 1 hour, Topic 2 – Uniform Code
- Course number: T02-07-2904



# Introduction

The Existing Building Code establishes minimum requirements for existing buildings using prescriptive and performance-related provisions. It is founded on broad-based principles intended to encourage the use and reuse of existing buildings while requiring reasonable upgrades and improvements that do not unnecessarily increase the cost of construction.



This self-study course will allow learners to assess their knowledge of the Existing Building Code's requirements that pertain to work that is classified as an *alteration*. The assessment focuses on the application of certain compliance methods.

# Instructions

Review Chapters 1-3, 5-9, and 13 of the 2020 Existing Building Code of New York State.

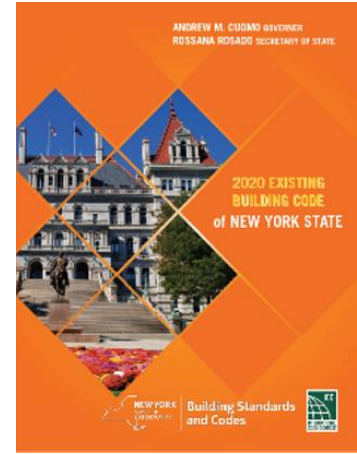
- Click [here](#) to access the 2020 EBCNYS

Following a self-paced review of this material, you will be required to complete a 15-question exam. You must get at least 11 questions correct to successfully complete this course.

There is no time limit for completing the exam. However, it is strongly recommended that you complete the exam in one sitting, as answers may not be recorded if your internet browser is closed while the exam is in progress.

You may find it helpful to complete the course titled *Overview of Alterations in the 2020 EBCNYS* before attempting the exam. This course is also approved for In-Service training and is available through SLMS and webinars.

- Click [here](#) to access SLMS.



# Instructions



Those who achieved a passing grade will have their results posted in SLMS on or about the second and fourth Thursday of every month. Please check your SLMS training history after these dates to determine if you successfully completed this course.

You may take the exam as many times as necessary to pass.

Click the Start button on the left to begin the exam.

# Post Exam – Stay Informed

Building Safety Inspectors and Code Enforcement Officials must keep in mind that the Uniform Code and Energy Code are sometimes amended between “code cycles”. Moreover, regulations that affect the code enforcement community can be amended at any time. For these reasons, it is to the benefit of code enforcers that they subscribe to the Division’s E-Bulletin Mailing List. This mailing list is the best way for the code enforcement community to stay informed of new and amended codes, rules, and regulations.



Absent this knowledge, code enforcers could fail to enforce new and updated versions of the code. This could put them at risk of materially failing to uphold their code enforcement duties. This deficiency could result in the suspension or revocation of a code enforcement certification as described in [19 NYCRR 1208-6.2](#).

The mailing list is also used to notify code enforcers of training requirements and training opportunities.

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1. click the button on the left, or
2. click [here](#), scroll to the bottom of the page, and click subscribe under the heading “E-Bulletin Mailing List”.

If at some point in the future you get a new email address, you should unsubscribe your old address and subscribe using your new one.

# Online Training Opportunities

There are many In-Service training opportunities available through the Division of Building Standards and Codes (DBSC) website. These opportunities consist of:

- DBSC SLMS Courses
- DBSC Self-Study Courses
- DBSC Webinars
- Simpson Strong-Tie Courses
- FEMA Courses



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