

**CITY OF PHILADELPHIA
DEPARTMENT OF LICENSES AND INSPECTIONS**

**EMERGENCY REGULATION EXTENDING DEADLINES TO
COMPLETE PERIODIC INSPECTION REPORTS FOR EXTERIOR
WALLS AND APPURTENANCES IN CONNECTION WITH THE
COVID-19 EMERGENCY**

On March 16, 2020, as part of a series of emergency declarations and orders, the Mayor and Health Commissioner issued an Emergency Order Temporarily Prohibiting Operation of Non-essential Businesses to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 (“Emergency Order”). On March 22, 2020, as part of a series of emergency declarations and orders, the Mayor and Health Commissioner issued an Emergency Order Temporarily Prohibiting Operation of Non-essential Businesses to Prevent the Spread of COVID-19 (“Emergency Order”), which was approved as a regulation of the Board of Health on March 26, 2020 (effective March 27, 2020) . The Philadelphia Department of Licenses and Inspections (“Department”) recognizes that the COVID-19 Pandemic is unprecedented. The City’s top priority is maintaining public health and the safety of all Philadelphians and those who work and invest in the City; by taking proactive steps now we can help mitigate community spread.

Pursuant to the Property Maintenance Code PM-315, et seq., reports of certain periodic inspections of exterior walls and any appurtenances thereto are required to be submitted by June 30, 2020. Because the Covid-19 Emergency may result in owners encountering hardships in fulfilling this obligation, an extension of the time to submit such inspection reports is in the best interest of the City. The following emergency measures are therefore adopted:

1. The deadline for completion of all inspection reports required under PM-315.2, that were due on June 30, 2020 shall be extended to September 30, 2020.

2. This regulation shall not be construed to relieve any property owner of the obligation to maintain all exterior walls and appurtenances in a safe condition.

3. Based on the Mayor's March 11, 2020, Declaration of Extraordinary Circumstance that allows regulations related to addressing the pandemic to become effective immediately upon transmission to the Department of Records, this emergency regulation shall be effective immediately.

**The City of Philadelphia, by and through its
Department of Licenses & Inspections**

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Date Signed: MAY 6, 2020