



Commercial Permit Application Processing Times

March through April 2020

Initial Complete Review (ICR*) Times in # of Business Days

Commercial Permit Type	Description of Work	ACTUAL **		City Target Time
		Median	75% Percentile	
Interior Alterations				
Interior Alterations - Category A	minor alterations with no building change of use, no professionals required, no impact on life safety, exterior alterations not affecting life safety	2	4	5
Interior Alterations - Category B	no building change of use, one or two professionals other than structural, minimal or no impact on base building or other tenants	5	8	10
Interior Alterations - Category C	change of use in existing tenant space, multiple professionals involved	14	16	15
Interior Alterations - Category D	gutting of existing space, change from single to multi-tenant space, significant impact on base building, property types affected by historic, waterways, flood fringe, downtown	19	21	20
Interior Alterations - Category E	re-purposing of existing building, historic, multiple alternative solutions	N/A	N/A	30
New Commercial Buildings & Additions				
Optional Professional Certificate Program (OPCP)	option for commercial permit applications submitted under professional seals to be issued with no plan examination	4	5	5
New Commercial Buildings & Additions - Standard	standard additions / new buildings	20	21	20
New Commercial Building & Additions - Staged / Partial	staged permits for commercial new/major additions – each stage	17	21	15

** Actual values are reported based on the previous two month time period

* ICR = # of business days required for an initial review of a permit application by all civic departments involved; complete and compliant applications can be issued following the initial review. Applications that are missing information or non compliant with Codes and By-laws will be placed on hold until the issue(s) are resolved with the applicant.

N/A indicates categories where there were no permits or where the permit volumes were too low to be statistically relevant.

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