

To: DSA Stakeholders
From: The Division of the State Architect
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Subject: Document Updates and Announcements for the Fourth Quarter of 2016

To keep stakeholders abreast of new and revised forms and documents available online, the Division of the State Architect (DSA) posts a list of these forms and documents to the “News & Events” section of the DSA website each quarter. Additionally, DSA now incorporates announcements of interest in its quarterly summary.

If you have questions regarding any of the forms, publications, or announcements in this summary, please email DSAcommunication@dgs.ca.gov.

New and revised forms and documents for the fourth quarter of 2016:

October

- BU 16-04: [Submittals Utilizing the 2016 California Building Standards Code \(Title 24, Parts 1 Through 12\) Prior to the Effective Date](#). New bulletin announcing that DSA will consider requests, on a case-by-case basis, to voluntarily utilize the 2016 California codes for projects submitted for plan review prior to the effective date of such codes (10/25/16)
- DSA 1-L: [Title 24, Part 11 – Outdoor Water Use: Self-Certification of Landscape Irrigation Design and Documentation](#). Form updated with minor Code section update (10/7/16)
- DSA 1-LC: [Title 24, Part 11 – Outdoor Water Use: Self-Certification of Landscape Irrigation Installation](#). Form updated with minor Code section update (10/7/16)
- DSA 5-AI: [Assistant Inspector Qualification and Approval](#). Form revised with detail added regarding timeframe for form to be completed (10/10/16)
- DSA 5-PI: [Project Inspector Qualification and Approval](#). Inspector information and affidavit sections updated (10/10/16)
- IR A-4: [Geohazard Report Requirements: 2007 and 2010 CBC](#). IR updated to clarify specific Code requirements regarding the submission of a geologic hazard report (10/7/16)
- IR A-4.13: [Geohazard Report Requirements: 2013 and 2016 CBC](#). IR updated to clarify specific Code requirements regarding the submission of a geologic hazard report (10/7/16)
- IR A-7: [Inspector Certification and Approval: 2016, 2013, 2010 and 2007 CAC](#). IR updated to clarify specific Code requirements relating to the certification and approval of school construction project inspectors (10/10/16)

- IR A-12: [Assistant Inspector Approval: 2016, 2013, 2010 and 2007 CAC](#). IR updated to clarify specific Code requirements relating to the approval of assistant inspectors (10/10/16)
- PR 15-03: [Compliance with CALgreen Outdoor Water Use Regulations](#). Revised procedure outlines the process or series of steps to be taken by DSA staff and external stakeholders to fulfill the administrative requirements for demonstrating compliance with the CALGreen Outdoor Water Use regulations for landscape irrigation work (10/25/16)
- PR 16-03: [Audits of Certified Access Specialist \(CASp\) Inspection Reports](#). New procedure outlining DSA's procedure for auditing CASp inspection reports (10/18/16)

November

- BU 16-03: [2013 Pre-Check Extension and Renewals to the 2016 CBC](#). Bulletin updated to reflect 2017 deadline dates in the 2016 CBC. (11/18/16)
- DSA 103: [Instructions](#). Instructions updated to reflect changes under the "General" heading.(11/4/16)
- IR A-30: [DSA Hourly Fee Services](#). IR updated to reflect changes in hourly fees charged for specific DSA services (11/15/16)

December

- BU 12-03: Implementation of Title 24 Changes to Processing of Construction Changes **DELETED** 12/16/16
- DSA 103: [List of Required Structural Tests and Special Inspections: 2016 CBC](#). Form updated to include updates to code references, item wording, and type of test or inspection (12/30/16)
- DSA 140: [Application for Approval of Construction Change Document – CCD Category A/B](#). Revised form combines separate forms [DSA 140 and DSA 141 (deleted)] for category A and B CCDs into a single form (12/16/16)
- DSA 175: [Project Inspector Examination Application](#). Updated for 2017 (12/09/16)
- DSA 176: [Inspector Recertification Schedule and Registration](#). Updated for 2017 (12/09/16; revised 1/13/17)
- IR A-3: [Construction Management Services for Public School Projects](#). IR revised in its entirety to ensure that construction management services comply with the requirements of the California Education Code and DSA regulations (12/06/16; revised 1/19/17)
- IR A-6: [Construction Change Document Submittal and Approval Process](#). Revised IR provides clarification of specific Code requirements relating to construction changes that must be submitted to DSA and defines the construction change document process (12/16/16)
- IR A-23: [Construction Cost Reporting and DSA Fees](#). Revised IR provides clarification of specific Code requirements relating to tasks that are considered to be "construction tasks" subject to DSA fee calculation (12/02/16)

- IR A-24: [Construction Phase Duties of the School District, Contractor, and Design Professional](#). Revised IR provides guidance to school districts regarding contracts for construction of school facilities (1/19/17)
- IR A-33: [Design-Build and Lease-Leaseback Alternative Project Delivery Methods](#). Revised IR defines procedures for alternative contracting methods to the traditional design-bid-build process for construction of California public school and community college projects (12/06/16; revised 1/19/17)

Announcements of Interest:

Potential DSA Plan Review Delays due to Workload Increase

Please be advised that for the coming weeks, DSA project plan review bin times may be longer than usual, due to a significant increase in project submittals in December 2016. DSA is shifting resources to accommodate the high volume of submittals in order to limit potential delays, and remains committed to the most expeditious processes possible. Thank you for your patience during this time, and we apologize for any inconvenience. Please contact the appropriate [DSA regional office](#) regarding any project-specific concerns.

Summary of 2016 California Building Code Changes for Accessibility

The [Summary of 2016 California Building Code Changes for Accessibility](#) document provides a brief overview of the changes to definitions (Chapter 2) and accessibility provisions (Chapter 11B), and includes new scoping and technical provisions specific to electric vehicle charging stations.