

“New Requirement”

Public Work Contractor and Subcontractor Registry

Starting December 30, 2024, all contractors and subcontractors submitting bids or performing construction work on public work projects or private projects covered by [Article 8 of the Labor Law](#) are required to register with the New York State Department of Labor (NYSDOL) under [Labor Law Section 220-j](#).

<https://dol.ny.gov/contractor-and-subcontractor-landing>

The law defines a “contractor” as any entity entering into a contract to perform construction, demolition, reconstruction, excavation, rehabilitation, repair, installation, renovation, alteration, or custom fabrication. The law defines “subcontractor” as any entity subcontracting with a contractor to perform construction, demolition, reconstruction, excavation, rehabilitation, repair, installation, renovation, alteration, or custom fabrication, which is subject to Article 8 of the Labor Law. Contractors are responsible for verifying that any subcontractors they work with are registered.

Contractors need to register before submitting any new bids or commencing new work on a covered project on or after December 30, 2024. Subcontractors need to register before commencing new work on a covered project on or after December 30, 2024. NYSDOL encourages all contractors and subcontractors to register as soon as possible to obtain a Certificate of Registration to avoid negatively impacting a bidding period or project schedule.

The Bureau of Public Work & Prevailing Wage Enforcement at the New York State Department of Labor is responsible for enforcing prevailing wage laws in New York State.

The Bureau of Public Work & Prevailing Wage Enforcement publishes the annual prevailing wage schedule every year on July 1. To find information about the prevailing wage rate for your area, or to find contact information for your local Public Works and Prevailing Wage Enforcement District Office, please visit Bureau of Public Work and Prevailing Wage Enforcement website or send an email to labor.sm.pwask@labor.ny.gov.

Electronic Certified Payroll Submissions in 2025

There is a new subsection 220-j in Article 8, which will require the Department of Labor to develop a publicly accessible online database of electronic certified payroll records, which will be available no later than **December 31, 2025**.

All submissions of certified payroll records will be collected electronically through this forthcoming database, starting when the system is completed in 2025.

Please watch the NYS Department of Labor website for additional information.