

To: DSA Stakeholders
From: The Division of the State Architect
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Subject: Document Updates and Announcements for the Second Quarter of 2021
To keep industry partners informed of new and revised forms and publications available online, as well as recent announcements, the Division of the State Architect (DSA) posts this list to the “News & Events” section of the DSA website each quarter. 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 Publications:

APRIL

- [DSA 1-MR: Application for New Manufactured Permanent Modular or Relocatable Buildings](#) This form was revised to correct a reference and clarify the form’s use for permanent modular or relocatable buildings. (04/12/21)
- [IR 22-4: Buckling Restrained Braces Frames: 2019 CBC](#) This Interpretation of Regulation (IR) was revised to provide clarification of building code requirements for buckling restrained brace design, testing and inspection. (04/01/21)
- [IR A-22: Construction Projects and Items Exempt from DSA Review](#) This IR was revised to clarify when plans and specifications for alteration, reconstruction, or small new construction projects on existing public (K–12) school and community college sites are not required to be submitted to DSA for review and approval. (04/07/21)

MAY

- [BU 20-01: DSA Assistance During the COVID-19 Pandemic for Emergency School Facilities](#) This bulletin (BU) was revised in accordance with the California Department of Education (CDE) referencing this BU in their FAQs for schools receiving the federal funds. (05/12/21)
- [IR A-21: Design, Installation and Maintenance of Fire Alarm Systems](#) This IR was revised to correct minor errors and clarify requirements for the installation of fire alarm systems. (05/05/21)
- [IR EB-3: Evaluation and Design Criteria Report: 2019 CAC](#) This IR was issued to clarify requirements for content, purpose and the technical aspects of the Evaluation and Design Criteria Report applicable for rehabilitation projects under DSA’s jurisdiction. (05/04/21)

- [IR 11B-6: Accessibility Review of Mechanical \(HVAC\) Projects](#) This IR was revised to clarify that DSA Access Compliance review is required for mechanical HVAC work. (05/27/21)

JUNE

- [BU 21-01: Plan Submittal Requirements for Schools Participating in the California Schools Healthy Air, Plumbing, and Efficiency \(CalSHAPE\) Program](#) This bulletin was revised to clarify the CalSHAPE Program and the requirements of local educational agencies submitting plans to DSA. (06/21/21)
- [IR A-4: Geohazard Report Requirements: 2019 CBC](#) This IR was revised to clarify the requirements for the submission of a geohazard report to the California Geological Survey (CGS) for acceptance, and subsequently to DSA, for projects within the jurisdiction of DSA. (06/11/21)

Announcements**Structural Plan Filing Fee Decrease – Fee Calculator Updated**

DSA structural plan review filing fees for public K–12 schools and community college projects have decreased for plans received on or after May 1, 2021. The [Plan/Field Review Fee Calculator](#) is now updated to reflect the decrease.

Project Inspector Certification Examination Schedule for 2021

Due to high demand, DSA has updated the Project Inspector Certification Examination schedule on the [Apply and Maintain Project Inspector Certification](#) webpage.

CASp Regulation Update

DSA has completed its rulemaking process to make amendments to the Certified Access Specialist Program (CASp) regulations. Revised regulations were approved by the Office of Administrative Law and are effective July 1, 2021. The adopted regulations and the Final Statement of Reasons are available on the [CASp Regulation Development](#) webpage.