

GEW95-14

606.10 (New)

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Add new text as follows:

606.10 Fuel. Boilers, furnaces, and service water heating equipment configured to use #4 or #6 heating oils shall not be installed.

Reason: Requiring cleaner heating oils can improve public health. The types of pollution that results from burning heating oil (specifically PM2.5 and NOx) have been linked to many health problems, most notably asthma and other respiratory ailments. Conversion from dirtier-burning heating oils (such as #4 and #6 oil) to cleaner fuels (natural gas or #2 oil) can reduce this pollution, as well as CO2 emissions.

In 2011, New York City enacted rules that phase out #6 oil, prohibiting its burning after July 1, 2015. #4 oil, which is much less commonly used, is being phased out with a final prohibition date of January 1, 2030.

Bibliography:

NYC Green Codes Task Force, Proposal HT9: Phase Out Dirty Boiler Fuels ([Proposal](#); [Legislative Summary](#))
NYC Department of Environmental Protection Rules, Title 15, Chapter 2 ([DEP Rule](#))

Cost Impact: Will not increase the cost of construction.

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