



# Electrical Inspection Service, Inc.

## Newsletter



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Monthly Update

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### Happy New Year!!

A message from Fran:

I want to thank you for your continued business. You are receiving a new price list. For the first time in 2 years, we have had to slightly increase some of our prices. Our prompt, efficient and courteous service to you will continue.

At this time, I would also like to explain our billing system to you. Some of you may be receiving a "temp" or "rough bill only" invoice. This amount is deducted from the final bill. You are not being billed two or three times for the same job. If you are only doing a service (under 400 amps) the total bill will be \$65.00. So when you pay your "temp only bill", you are paid in full. Should you be doing a whole house, the \$65.00 that you pay will be coming off of the final bill. Please keep in mind that these bills need to be paid within 30 days. Should any of your invoices not be paid within 60 days, on the 61st day, my computer automatically puts your account on hold. It doesn't matter if it is only \$65.00 or \$6500.00; it goes by the amount of days that your account is late.

Also, **CROSS STREETS AND PHONE NUMBERS** are a must. Please let your customer know that we will be calling them for an inspection. Let us know if the application is ready for inspection. Our rough inspections are done within 2 days. If you are told anything different than that, please contact me immediately. You also must let your builders know:

'NO STICKER, NO SHEETROCK'.

Check out our web page. You can e-mail your applications, see our area coverage, our staff and check the status of your applications. Any questions, problems or suggestions, please contact me. The only way I can help is if I know about it!! If you do not wish to receive our Newsletter, please contact the office.

Again,  
thank you all for business and I wish you a Happy, Healthy and Prosperous New Year!

- Hugo Surdi-President
- Grace Surdi-Vice President
- Fran Richards-Assistant Vice President
- Eddie Rodriguez-Chief Electrical Inspector
- Aneal Angelillo-Senior Inspector
- Jerry Jaeckel-Inspector
- Jerry Flaherty-Inspector
- David Paterno-Inspector
- Sean Hightower-Inspector

Office Staff and Areas Handled:

- Mia-Smithtown and Brookhaven
- Jenn-N. Hempstead, Hempstead, Oyster Bay, East Hampton, Southold
- Cara-Huntington, Islip and Babylon
- Kathy-Bookkeeping
- Stephannie-Receptionist/Secretary

### CODE CORNER

New York State Building Code Summarization on Smoke Detectors: Prior to July of 2002, across the Island, there were different requirements for smoke

detectors. The New York State Building Code now sums it up for all municipalities.

One smoke detector is to be installed in each of the following locations:

1. Each sleeping room.
2. Outside of each separate sleeping area, in the immediate vicinity of bedrooms.
3. One additional smoke detector on each story including the basement.

When more than one smoke detector is required in a dwelling, the smoke detector shall be **INTER-CONNECTED**. The code goes on to require all smoke detectors shall be **BATTERY BACK UP** and powered from the **LINE SIDE** of a lighting branch circuit (not a separate home run). Still stated in the code, a central alarm system shall suffice in lieu of a 120v system.

Our next code class will be held at the VFW Hall on Dunton Avenue on Wednesday, February 18<sup>th</sup>, 2004 at 5:30pm

**Happy 85<sup>th</sup> Birthday to our President and Founder, Hugo S. Surdi!\***