tions may be returned by the Inspector of Buildings to the parties by whom they have been deposited with him, upon the demand of said person or persons, except that plans and specifications of theatres, churches, halls, hotels, apartment houses, tenements, factories, shops, schools, colleges, hospitals, asylums, and all other buildings to be occupied by more than twenty-five people at one time, shall remain on file as a permanent record in the office of the Inspector of Buildings. It shall not be obligatory upon the Inspector of Buildings to retain the drawings not mentioned above in his custody for more than three months after the completion or occupation of any building.

Not obligatory upon Inspector of ings.

Unlawful to erase, etc., drawings or specifications.

2C. It shall be unlawful to erase, alter or modify any lines, figures or coloring contained upon such drawings or specifications so stamped by the Inspector of Buildings or filed with him for reference. If, during the progress of the execution of such work, it is desired to deviate in any manner affecting the construction or other essentials of the building from the terms of application, drawings or specifications, notice of such intention to alter or deviate shall be given in writing to the Inspector of Buildings, and his written assent must be obtained before such alteration or deviation may be made.

Foundation walls, isolated piers, etc.

13. All foundation walls, isolated piers, parapet walls and chimneys above roofs shall be laid in cement mortar. But this shall not prohibit the use of a small portion of lime in the mortar in which face bricks are laid. All other walls built of brick or stone shall be laid in lime, cement, or lime

and cement mortar mixed. The backing up of all stone ashlar shall be laid up with cement mortar, or cement and lime mortar mixed, but the back of the ashlar may be parged with lime mortar to prevent discoloration of the stone. All foundation walls or cellars shall be built of stone or bricks laid in cement. If built of stone they shall at least be six inches thicker than the wall next above them to a depth of twelve feet below kerb level and shall be increased six inches in thickness for each and every ten feet or part thereof additional depth beyond the twelve feet above specified. If foundation walls are built of bricks, they must be at least four inches thicker than the walls next above them and must be increased four inches in thickness for additional depths as specified for stone walls. All walls and footings must start at least twelve inches below finished cellar level. The expression "walls for dwelling houses," shall be taken to mean and include in this class walls for the following buildings: Apartment houses, hotels, asylums, laboratories, club houses, lodging houses, convents, parish buildings, dormitories, schools, dwellings, studios, hospitals, tenements. The walls above the basement of dwelling houses not over three stories and basement, nor more than forty-five feet in height, and not over twenty feet front and not over fifty-five in depth, shall have side and party walls not less than nine inches thick, and front and rear walls not less than thirteen inches thick. All walls of dwellings exceeding twenty feet front and not exceeding forty feet in height shall be not less than

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Walls of dwellings.