

Zoning Requirements

CELLULAR MONOPOLES

To help achieve New York City's goal of accelerating the buildout of 5G by issuing guidance to clarify standards for siting and placement of cellular monopoles that are available for mobile carriers to build out their networks, including those in underserved areas. It is expected that the 5G infrastructure will serve millions of New Yorkers across all five boroughs, expanding access to quality, high-speed, and reliable internet at home, at work or on the go.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Cellular monopoles and related equipment may be filed as Use Group 6D under the New York City Zoning Resolution.
- Other installations that do not qualify as Use Group 6D may seek Special Permits by the Board of Standards and Appeals and the City Planning Commission
- [Buildings Bulletin 2022-005](#) clarifies how the height and size of cellular monopoles and related equipment are measured and regulated.
- Information about non-substantial changes to the existing antennas monopoles and related equipment is addressed by [Buildings Bulletin 2021-011](#).



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BACKGROUND

A cellular monopole is a single pole structure that serves no other purposes other than to support antennas and related equipment. A cellular monopole may be of varying heights.

Read [Buildings Bulletin 2022-005](#) for more details on the requirements.

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