Local Law 15 of 2020: Bird Friendly Building Design

Effective January 10, 2021, new buildings and alterations that replace all exterior glazing of a building must comply with bird friendly design construction requirements.

Exterior glazing refers to a building’s glass panels and elements. Local Law 15 of 2020 does not apply to:

- alterations that do not replace all of the exterior glazing of the building
- storefront replacements of a portion of exterior glazing within the building.

For construction requirements, refer to the Department of Buildings’:

- Buildings Bulletin 2020-022
- Bird Friendly Building Design and Construction Requirements Guidance Document

Filings Prior to January 10, 2021

Applications that have not reached job status D in BIS or Pending CPE/ACPE Assignment or Pending Prof Cert QA Assignment status in DOB NOW on January 10, 2021, will be subject to the requirements of LL15 of 2020.