# Bird-Safe Buildings Legislation, Ordinances & Guidelines

**APPENDIX 2**

## CANADA

* **Canadian Standards Association (Voluntary)**
  + [CSA A460-2019 - Bird-friendly building design (ansi.org)](https://webstore.ansi.org/Standards/CSA/CSAA4602019)
  + [CSA Standard – BirdSafe](https://birdsafe.ca/csa-bfbd/)
  + https://birdsafe.ca/csa-bfbd/
* **City of Toronto (Mandatory)**
  + Legislation adopted October 27, 2009
  + Mandatory for all buildings
  + [Bird-Friendly Guidelines – City of Toronto](https://www.toronto.ca/city-government/planning-development/official-plan-guidelines/design-guidelines/bird-friendly-guidelines/)
  + www.toronto.ca/city-government/planning-development/official-plan -guidelines/design-guidelines/bird-friendly-guidelines/
* **Province of Ontario (Mandatory)**
  + Legislation adopted February 1, 2014
  + Court decision that pollution laws cover reflections
  + [Podolsky-v.-Cadillac](https://www.ecojustice.ca/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/Podolsky-v.-Cadillac-Fairview.-Ont-Ct-of-Justice.-Green-J.-final-version.2013.02.14.pdf)
  + www.ecojustice.ca/wp-content/uploads/2013/11/podolsky-v-cadillac-Fairview.Ont-Ct-of-Justice.-Green-J.-final-version.2013-02
* **City of Calgary (Voluntary)**
  + Legislation, Bird-Friendly Urban Design Guidelines, adopted March 2011
  + [fonhs.org/bird\_friendly\_design\_guidelines.pdf](http://fonhs.org/bird_friendly_design_guidelines.pdf)
  + http://fonhs.org/bird\_friendly\_design\_guidelines.pdf
* **City of Markham (Voluntary)**
  + Adopted January 2014
  + [Bird Friendly Design](http://www2.markham.ca/markham/ccbs/indexfile/Agendas/2014/Development%20Services/pl140204/Bird%20Friendly%20-%20Appendix%20A%20-%20Guidelines.pdf) pdf
  + http://www2.markham.ca/markham/ccbs/indexfile/Agendas/2014/Development Services/pl140204/Bird Friendly - Appendix A - Guidelines.pdf
* **City of Vancouver (Voluntary)**
  + Created 2015
  + A loose set of bird-friendly building and landscaping recommendations
  + [vancouver.ca/files/cov/vancouver-bird-strategy.pdf](https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/vancouver-bird-strategy.pdf)
  + https://vancouver.ca/files/cov/vancouver-bird-strategy.pdf

## U.S. - FEDERAL

* **Bird-Safe Buildings Act (*Pending*)**
  + House of Representatives
    - H.R. 919
    - Introduced January 31, 2019, by IL U.S. Rep. Mike Quigley
    - [Text - H.R.919 - 116th Congress (2019-2020): To amend title 40, United States Code, to direct the Administrator of General Services to incorporate bird-safe building materials and design features into public buildings, and for other purposes. | Congress.gov | Library of Congress](https://www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/919/text)
    - www.congress.gov/bill/116th-congress/house-bill/919/text
  + Senate –introduced to Senate in 2017
    - S. 1920
    - Introduced November 2017 by NJ U.S. Senator Cory Booker
    - [S.1920 - 115th Congress (2017-2018): Federal Bird-Safe Buildings Act of 2017 | Congress.gov | Library of Congress](https://www.congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/1920)
    - congress.gov/bill/115th-congress/senate-bill/1920

## U.S. – BY STATE

## CALIFORNIA

* **City of Alameda (Mandatory)**
  + 11/27/2018: Passed unanimously. Ordinance Amending the Alameda Municipal Code by Amending Section 30-5.15 of Chapter XXX (Zoning Ordinance) to Adopt New Bird-Safe Building Standards and Update Outdoor Lighting Regulations Consistent with Dark Skies Standards.
  + [City of Alameda - File #: 2018-6140 (20 minutes) (legistar.com)](https://alameda.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3756063&GUID=2E8203B6-7841-42FC-A8B8-552FA7D9D246&Options&Search&FullText=1)
  + www.alameda.legistar.com/legislationDetail/Bird Safe Building Standards
  + [goldengateaudubon.org/TheGull\_Winter.pdf](https://goldengateaudubon.org/wp-content/uploads/TheGull_Winter19.pdf)
  + https://goldengateaudubon.org/wp-content/uploads/TheGull\_Winter19.pdf
* **City of Berkeley (Mandatory) (*Pending*)**
  + Applies to new construction and renovations
* **City of Menlo Park (Optional)**
  + [menlopark.org/Bird Safe](https://url.emailprotection.link/?avt5I1cv5-sXm7jRtroAiOcvPgTCEHGFUHHNXnhZAXy0dLVVRxjl4gXs8gnrqjLL68M_aIjcZLkQYHKJtvpjzEw%7E%7E) pdf (see pages 21-22)
* **City of Mountain View – Only the North Bayshore Area (Mandatory & Optional)**
  + North Bayshore is a section of the City of Menlo Park.
  + Revisions to the North Bayshore Precise Plan adopted December 12, 2017
  + [City of Mountain View - North Bayshore Precise Plan](https://www.mountainview.gov/depts/comdev/planning/activeprojects/northbayshore_/default.asp) (See section 5.2 pages 125-126)
  + www.mountainview.gov/depts/comdev/planning/activeprojects/northbayshore
* **City of Oakland (Mandatory)**
  + Adopted as part of the City’s building permit process on June 15, 2013
  + Applies to buildings adjacent to parks, water bodies & green spaces
  + [Oakland adopts Bird Safety Building Measures - Golden Gate Audubon Society](https://goldengateaudubon.org/blog-posts/oakland-adopts-bird-safety-building-measures/)
  + www.goldengateaudubon.org/blog-posts/oakland-adopts-bird-safety-building- [measures/](http://goldengateaudubon.org/blog-posts/oakland-adopts-bird-safety-building-measures/)
  + [goldengateaudubon.org/wp-content/uploads/Oakland-Bird-Safety-](https://goldengateaudubon.org/wp-content/uploads/Oakland-Bird-Safety-Measures.pdf) [Measures.pdf](https://goldengateaudubon.org/wp-content/uploads/Oakland-Bird-Safety-Measures.pdf)
  + https://goldengateaudubon.org/wp-content/uploads/Oakland-Bird-Safety-Measures.pdf
* **City of Palo Alto (Voluntary)**
  + Guidelines adopted March 6, 2015
  + [Capital of Silicon Valley adopts bird-friendly building guidelines - BirdWatching (birdwatchingdaily.com)](https://www.birdwatchingdaily.com/news/conservation/capital-of-silicon-valley-adopts-bird-friendly-building-guidelines/)
  + www.birdwatchingdaily.com [adopts-bird-friendly-building-guidelines/](http://www.birdwatchingdaily.com/blog/2015/03/06/capital-of-silicon-valley-adopts-bird-friendly-building-guidelines/)
* **City of Richmond (Mandatory)**
  + Ordinance 15.04.608.030 adopted November 15, 2016 (16-16 NS).
  + [Municode Library](https://library.municode.com/ca/richmond/ordinances/code_of_ordinances?nodeId=832252) (Pages 356-358)
  + https://library.municode.com/ca/richmond/ordinances/code\_of\_ordinances?nodeld=832252
* **City and County of San Francisco (Mandatory)**
  + Legislation, Standards for Bird-safe Buildings, adopted November 30, 2011
  + First legislation of its type in the U.S. for a major city
  + [Standards for Bird-Safe Buildings | SF Planning](https://sfplanning.org/standards-bird-safe-buildings)
  + www.sfplanning.org/standards-bird-safe-buildings
* **City of Sunnyvale (Voluntary)**
  + Voluntary ordinance, Standards for Bird-safe Buildings, adopted January 28, 2014
  + Guidelines could become mandatory in the future
  + [City of Sunnyvale - File #: 14-0101 (legistar.com)](https://sunnyvaleca.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=1638114&GUID=5CAC105A-E0AB-44C2-B97E-32F020282CFE&FullText=1)
  + www.sunnyvaleca.legistar.com/LegislationDetails.
* **City of Santa Cruz (Mandatory)**
  + Bird-safe building standard (NOT adopted as an ordinance)
  + [cityofsantacruz.com/home](http://www.cityofsantacruz.com/home/showdocument?id=75970) pdf
* **City of San Jose (Mandatory)**
* Adopted (5/21/2019 Synopsis 4.3, 19-362):
* [City of San José - City Council (legistar.com)](https://sanjose.legistar.com/DepartmentDetail.aspx?ID=21676&GUID=ACCCCFF5-F14A-4E1A-8540-9065F45A8A90)
* www.sanjose.legistar.com/Bird Friendly Design

## ILLINOIS

* **Village of Barrington (Mandatory)**
  + Guidelines adopted December 13, 2010 (City Council Resolution 10-3959)
* **City of Chicago (Mandatory) (*Pending*)**
* [Office of the City Clerk - Record #: O2019-320 (legistar.com)](https://chicago.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.aspx?ID=3843156&GUID=8467EB3C-A872-407E-85E5-0ED7E351DE29)
  + www.chicago.legistar.com/LegislationDetail.
* **City of Highland Park (Mandatory)**
  + Legislation adopted February 14, 2011 (Section 170.105 Bird Friendly Construction)
  + Mandatory to certain municipal buildings
  + [Highland Park, IL, USA (featherfriendly.com)](https://www.featherfriendly.com/highland-park?hsLang=en)
  + www.featherfriendly.com/highland-park
* **Cook County (Mandatory)**
  + Unincorporated: Does not include the City of Chicago
  + Benchmarks and Beyond [B3 – Buildings Benchmarks and Beyond (b3mn.org)](https://www.b3mn.org/)
  + www.b3mn.org
  + Legislation adopted July 8, 2008
  + Applies to all new construction and all building renovations
* **State of Illinois (Mandatory) (*Pending*)**
  + Applies to state buildings (new construction and substantial renovations)
  + [Illinois General Assembly - Bill Status for HB4476 (ilga.gov)](https://www.ilga.gov/legislation/BillStatus.asp?DocNum=4476&GAID=15&DocTypeID=HB&SessionID=108&GA=101)
  + www.ilga.gov/legislation/BillBird Safe State Buildings

## MINNESOTA

* **City of Minneapolis (Mandatory)**
  + Zoning code for skywalks
* **State of Minnesota (Mandatory)**
  + Legislation adopted May 1, 2013 (B3 Program: Buildings, Benchmarks and Beyond)
  + Designed to parallel LEED Pilot Credit 55
  + [B3 – Buildings Benchmarks and Beyond (b3mn.org)](https://www.b3mn.org/)
  + www.b3mn.org

## NEW YORK

* **City of New York City (MANDATORY)**
  + New York City Council Int. 1481-2019
  + The New York City Council - File #: Int 1482-2019 (nyc.gov)
    - * Download final bill language (listed above as “Attachment 18: Int. No. 1482-B (FINAL)”): [legistar.council.nyc.gov](https://legistar.council.nyc.gov/View.ashx?M=F&ID=7965585&GUID=E8DA2C72-3864-43BC-B751-54F1546F8FB9) pdf
      * Passed December 10, 2019. Will be enacted by December 10, 2020.

## OREGON

* **City of Portland (Voluntary)**
  + Legislation (non-binding City Council resolution) adopted July 2012 First Edition
  + Guidelines scheduled for implementation July 9, 2018.
  + [Updates to the Central City Plan District | Portland.gov](https://www.portland.gov/bds/news/2018/5/31/updates-central-city-plan-district)
  + www.portland.gov/bds/news/2018/5/31/updates-central-city-plan-district

**WASHINGTON DC**

* **Green Code – two points (Voluntary)** (*Pending*)