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### building envelope solutions

### **City of Toronto Green Roof Building Standard**

- Provide City Staff with the technical foundation necessary to develop a Green Roof By-law To provide certainty and clarity for the green building industry active in Toronto Provide recommendations for design requirements of a Toronto green roof building standard
- Included analysis of how identified potential green roof standards to support the City's key policy objectives and performance criteria.

### Key policy objectives of the City of Toronto include:

#### Reduced urban heat island;

Storm water management impacts (quantity and quality); Impacts on building energy consumption; and Improved air quality

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**Item Description Green Roof Implication** Item Notes Division B Wind loads are to be Specifies the basic wind Prior to the 2006 4.1.7.1.(4) calculated using a reference pressure to which areen OBC. desian velocity pressure for "a roofs should be designed could be limited probability of being exceeded for. to lower wind in any one year of 1-in-50". pressures; those for a 1 in 10 year probability. **Item Description Green Roof Implication** Item Notes Division B The hydraulic load is the This design load should Clarify that the 7.4.10.4.(1) maximum 15 minute rainfall not change despite the storm water (25mm for the City of green roof altering design does not Toronto) multiplied by the rainwater retention and change from that area of the surface drained run-off characteristics. mandated in the and one half the largest Code. adjoining vertical surface. ltem **Item Description Green Roof Implication** Notes Division B Control flow roof drains Similar to control flow roof A similar 7.4.10.(2) may be installed provided drains, green roofs requirement to "(b) the roof structure has similarly impede/retain rain limit water depth been designed to carry the water and reduce storm would be load of the accumulated water run-off from the prudent in the water, (c) one or more building. Toronto scuppers are installed so Standard that the maximum depth of water on the roof cannot exceed 150mm..."

# Green Roof Technical Advisory Group

Preparation of the City of Toronto Green Roof Construction Standard (TGRCS) and Supplementary Guidelines First municipal standard in North America to establish minimum requirements for the design and construction of green roofs

The TGRCS establishes City's requirements while also meeting Ontario Building Code (030) (aquinants)

The document is not a "how to manual" on green roof design and construction

Mandatory provisions are included in the Toronto Green Roof Construction for the following areas

Green Roof Assembly

Grawity Loads

Slope Stability

Parapet Height and /or Overflow Scupper Locations

Wind Uplif

Fire Safety

Occupancy and Safety Waterproofing

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Vegetation Performance Plant Selection

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**Toronto Green Roof Construction Standard** 

The Standard is to set out minimum requirements for the construction and maintenance of green roofs. The Standard governs the design and construction of green roofs setting out minimum requirements that meet the City's objectives and the Ontario Building Code requirements

## **Gross Floor Area**

## **Coverage of Available Roof Space**

### (Size of Building)

2,000 - 4,999 5,000 - 9,999

10,000 - 14,999

20,000 or greater 15,000 - 19,999

<u>Note. Residential buildings less than 6 storeys or 20m in height are exempt from a green roof</u>

(Size of Green Roof)

20% 30% 40% 50%

80%





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" He who cannot change the very fabric change reality, and will never, therefore, of his thought will never be able to make any progress.

- Anwar Sadat



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