

Bird Safe Building Survey



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Add up your answers from the points in parentheses to get your daytime and nighttime building collisions risk score.

Day-time Window Collision Risk

1. Is the building taller than 3 stories?

Yes (1), No (0)

2. Approximately what percentage of this building is glass?

0-25% (1), 26-50% (2), 51-75% (3), 76-100% (4)

3. Does the building have a side with 75% or more glass?

Yes (2), No (0)

4. What type of windows are on the building?

- a) Fixed frame (non-opening; 1)
- b) Sliding window (1)
- c) Hung/casement/awning (swings to open; 1)
- d) Sliding glass doors (2)
- e) Picture window (large, continuous pane; 2)
- f) Floor to ceiling (exterior glass wall; 3)

5. Does the building include bird attractants like bird feeders or water sources within 50 m (165 ft) of the glass?

Yes (2), No (0)

6. Have bird collisions been detected at the building (either incidentally or through monitoring)?

Yes (2), No (0)

7. Does 50-100% of the building glass have visual barriers or external visual markers for birds that are spaced no more than 2 inches horizontally and vertically?

Yes (-2), No (0)

Add up your answers:

High risk: 8-14

Medium risk: 5-7

Low risk: 1-4

Night-time Window Collision Risk

1. Is the building taller than 3 stories?

Yes (1), No (2)

2. Approximately what percentage of this building is glass?

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3. Does the building have a side with 75% or more glass?

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5. Is 0-50% of entire building illuminated at night (i.e., light shining through windows)?

Yes (1), No (0)

6. Is 51-100% of entire building illuminated at night (i.e., light shining through windows)?

Yes (2), No (0)

7. Do exterior lights illuminate the area within 50 m (165 ft) of the building glass?

Yes (2), No (0)

8. Have bird collisions been detected at the building (either incidentally or through monitoring)?

Yes (2), No (0)

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