

WRITTEN INTERPRETATION WI-20-05

DATE: November 10, 2020 (Revised July 19, 2022)

SUBJECT: Window Glazing Measurements

CDC REFERENCE: 437.H.4, 438.H.3, 440.H.3, 441.H.3, 442.H.3, 443.H.3, 444.H.3

Per Community Development Code (CDC) Section 100.E, the Planning and Community Development Director may promulgate and issue written administrative interpretations of the CDC as may be necessary to promote uniformity in the application of the CDC.

CDC Sections 437.H.4., 438.H.3, 440.H.3, 441.H.3, 442.H.3, 443.H.3, and 444.H.3 require a minimum amount of glazing and transparency for wall area on building facades. For the purposes of calculating compliance with these sections, the Planning and Community Development Director hereby interprets that wall and transparency area shall be calculated as follows:

- Transparency areas shall include the area of the glass and the frame
- Wall Area
 - Wall area shall be the portions of a building façade between the finished elevation of each floor and the finished elevation of the ceiling above.
 - For stories with a finished floor elevation below finished grade, wall area shall be the portions of a building façade between finished grade and the finished elevation of the ceiling above.
 - Basements and unfinished attic spaces shall be excluded.



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