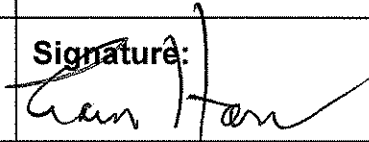


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**Building Code Interpretation  
General 006**

***Green Roof Guards***

<b>Subject:</b> Guard requirements for "Green Roofs"	<b>Date:</b> May 26, 2008
<b>San Francisco Building Code Sections:</b> 1013.2 & 1013.3, Exception #2	<b>Code Year:</b> 2007
<b>Approved By:</b> Isam Hasenin, P.E., C.B.O., Director	<b>Signature:</b> 
<b>Question:</b> Are guards required at "green roof" areas where maintenance personnel may be required to maintain a vegetated roof?	

<b>Answer:</b> Yes, guards are required around "green roof" areas in accordance with Sections 1013.2 and 1013.3, Exception #2. Such guards must have a height of 42 inches and may have openings such that a sphere 21 inches in diameter can not pass through.
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