

Dallas Green Building Ordinance for New Construction General Requirements

Phase I

effective October 2009

For buildings smaller than 50,000 square feet:

- Energy efficiency (15% better than 2006 IECC)
- Water efficiency (20% better than the Water Act of 1992)
- Outdoor lighting standards
- Low-sloped roofs must follow Energy Star cool-roof standards

For buildings larger than 50,000 sf:

- Project must achieve a prescribed number of LEED credits
- To include at least one water-efficiency and two energy-efficiency credits

Phase II

effective October 2011

All new construction must be:

- LEED-certifiable or follow another generally accepted standard, such as GreenBuilt North Texas, with minimum one water-efficiency credit and three energy-efficiency credits