

- b. Circular No. 161 of the year 2008 issued on Implementing Green Building Regulations in the Emirate of Dubai
- c. Circular No. 171 and circular No 174 of the year 2009 issued on Implementing Building Green Roofs and facades
- d. The Administrative Resolution No. 30 of the year 2007 issued on Promulgating the Implementing Regulations of the Local Order No 11 of the year 2003 On Public Health and Safety in the Emirate of Dubai.

Temporary Buildings

These regulations do not apply to temporary buildings which will be removed within two years of construction.

Exemptions: Special Projects and Special Applications

Large scale projects or projects of a specialised nature, wherein some regulations of Al Sa'fat - Dubai Green Building System cannot be easily applied, are considered as special projects. These special projects are exempted from these regulations. Examples of such projects are: extremely high buildings, large shopping malls, hospitals and laboratories. In order to preserve the character of these buildings, it may not be possible to meet some of the requirements of the regulations. For such projects, it will be possible to apply to Dubai Municipality for dispensation from specific requirements of these regulations, if it can be demonstrated that compliance to those requirements cannot be achieved. Dubai Municipality reserves the right to request any other reasonable measures to be taken in pursuit of the goals of the regulations.

Exemptions: Heritage Buildings

Heritage Buildings, as identified by Dubai Municipality, having difficulty in complying with some of the requirements of the Al Sa'fat - Dubai Green Building System are exempted from those regulations in order to preserve the character of these buildings. For such projects, it will be possible to apply to Dubai Municipality for dispensation from specific requirements of these regulations, if it can be demonstrated that compliance to those requirements cannot be achieved. Dubai Municipality reserves the right to request any other reasonable measures to be taken in pursuit of the goals of the regulations.

Additions, Extensions, or Refurbishment Details

- a. Relative to Al Sa'fat applicability stated further in section 101.07, new additions, extensions or refurbishments, which require a building permit, must meet the requirements of the regulations.
- b. Existing portions of the building, which are not part of the new work, will not be required to be upgraded to meet the regulations. Existing parts of a building will require upgrading, if after the addition, extension or refurbishment, the existing building performs in a less energy efficient manner than previously, because of the addition or extension. Any upgrading required must bring the building back to at least its minimum level of previous energy performance before the addition or extension.