

30% of building roofs must be green

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Dubai: A minimum of 30 per cent of the total surface area of all building roofs in Dubai should be green and it is optional for the front side, Engineer Yousuf Abdullah, head of Licensing Section in the Buildings Department of Dubai Municipality, said on Monday.

Abdullah said it is important that the consulting offices and contracting companies comply with the rules and regulations, as the application is mandatory on all types of buildings (except industrial buildings with metal roofs and residential villas in Dubai).

Abdullah said the buildings that would be subjected to the system would be the new buildings under design (new licence), buildings under the licence (under the procedure for issuing the licence), buildings that were issued a licence but the site has not been used, buildings that are under construction on the sites, the buildings that owners wish to get major exceptions, and the surfaces of the gymnasiums that are converted to housing or offices.

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