



Urban environment subjects birds to a number of risks. Glass, especially because of its transparency, prevents birds to perceive it as an obstacle, whereas its reflexivity leads to confuse the reflection of the sky, the vegetation, or their own reflection with reality. Birds will try to fly to the reflected habitat and hit the glass.

The City of Toronto was the first city in the world to publish a "Bird-Friendly Development Guidelines" in 2007. This guide identifies the various risk factors and makes recommendations to mitigate death of birds. For more information see the guide at:

## https://web.toronto.ca/wp-content/uploads/2017/08/8d1c-Bird-Friendly-Best-Practices-Glass.pdf

With regards to glazing, one of the recommendations is to integrate visual markers on the glass (lines, dots or other patterns). Studies have shown that visual markers must at a maximum of 10cm apart to prevent bird collisions with glass. Applying these visual markers to the entire building is ideal, but at least for a minimum 12 meters above ground (4 floors), maybe more in rough terrain.

On clear glass, it is recommended to apply the visual markers as close to the surface as possible as they are not obscured by reflections. When an energy efficient glass is used on face 2, the patterns must be applied on face 3. It is then recommended to use a very contrasting color to enhance efficiency.

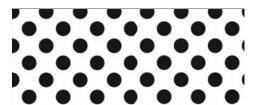
LAURIER offers Birds friendly CERAFRIT or digitally printed CERAPRINT glass solutions. We can also assist you to create a personalized design that will meet the city of Toronto guidelines.



# **BIRD FRIENDLY GLAZING**

### SCREEN-PRINTED CERAFRIT STANDARD PATTERNS

Standard application – no changes Patterns below follow the spirit of the City of Toronto recommendations Check local regulations



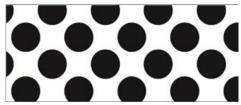
CERAFRIT - G008

30% COVERAGE 3mm (1/8") diameter dots Spaced 7mm (9/32") Center to center



**CERAFRIT - G009** 

40% COVERAGE 3mm (1/8") diameter dots Spaced 6mm (1/4") Center to center



**CERAFRIT - G010** 

50% COVERAGE 6mm (1/4") diameter dots Spaced 11mm (7/16") Center to center



**CERAFRIT - G011** 

60% COVERAGE 3mm (1/8") diameter dots Spaced 6mm (1/4") Center to center



CERAFRIT - G013

1% COVERAGE 5mm (3/16") diameter dots Spaced 100mm (4") Center to center



#### CERAFRIT - S002

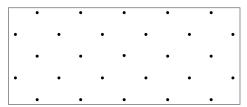
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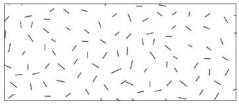
### **LAURIER STANDARD PATTERNS**

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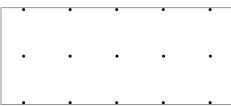
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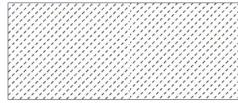
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4% COVERAGE



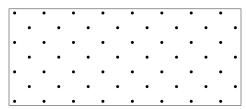
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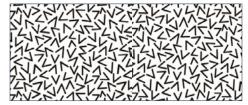
CERAPRINT - CP-0552

5% COVERAGE



**CERAPRINT - CP-346** 

2% COVERAGE 3mm (1/8") diameter dots Spaced 25mm (1") Center to center



**CERAPRINT - CP-0553** 

17% COVERAGE