

**10A NCAC 14J .1504 WINDOWS AND SECURITY SCREENING**

- (a) All windows shall open and close to provide ventilation unless mechanical cooling or forced air circulation is provided.
- (b) Windows shall be constructed of such material to contain persons within the enclosed area and to provide security from without.
- (c) Windows in inspection corridors shall be designed to maximum security specifications using tool-resistant steel bars or members (equivalent to Bayley AN-1, SG-1, or SN-1, or Southern Steel Co. Type AST or SST) unless the confinement unit has a tool-resisting steel grating enclosure.
- (d) Windows in the inspection corridor shall be designed to moderate security detention using mild steel bars and members (equivalent to Bayley SG-1, AN-2 or SN-2) if the confinement unit has a tool-resisting grating enclosure.
- (e) Local lockups are the only exception to (c) and (d) if the windows are fixed, inaccessible, or they otherwise present no threat to safety or security.
- (f) Windows shall have protective or security screening to prevent the passing of contraband except where approved exterior fencing is provided.
- (g) Security screening shall be of a type to protect glass from damage and prevent the passage of contraband if inmates have access to windows (see Rule .1529 and .1530 of this Section).
- (h) Windows shall be glazed with diffused or obscured glass or an approved synthetic material which admits light to all confinement areas if they afford a view into the confinement area from outside.
- (i) Skylights shall meet the same requirements for light transmission and security windows, except that skylights need not be ventilating units.
- (j) Windows in the booking area shall be of an approved type and construction to provide security and protection for the area.

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