

**37. Multi-level roofs, obstructions and parapets.** Multi-level roofs, obstructions and parapets are all “bluff objects” creating turbulent wakes downwind where snow accumulates in drifts. Such objects can be considered as geometrical variations of a rectangular object situated on or adjacent to a lower flat roof. If the object is narrower and lower than the design depth of uniformly distributed snow on the roof, it is, for the purposes of this Commentary, a “non-obstructing” object; if higher, it is considered as an obstruction; if higher than a “non-obstructing” bluff object and wide enough to accumulate a significant amount of snow on its upper surface, it is considered as an “upper level” roof.