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§ 205.1. Location or site.

A building to be used for and by residents shall be located in areas conducive to the health and safety of the residents.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.1 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P.S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P.S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.2. Grounds.

- (a) Grounds shall be adequate to provide necessary service areas and outdoor areas for residents. A facility with site limitations may provide rooftop or balcony areas if adequate protective enclosures are provided.
- (b) Delivery areas, service yards or parking area shall be located so that traffic does not cross areas commonly used by residents.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.2 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.3. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.4. Building plans.

- (a) There may be no new construction of a facility without the Department's approval of final plans. There may be no alterations or additions to an existing building or conversion of a building or facility made prior to the Department's approval of final plans.
- (b) Plans, including architectural, mechanical and electrical plans, shall include requested changes and shall be submitted to the Department for final approval before construction, alterations or remodeling begins.
- (c) The licensee or prospective licensee shall have the opportunity to present and discuss purposes and plans concerning the requested changes indicated on the architectural plans with the Department. If differences occur and cannot be resolved, administrative hearing may be sought under 1 Pa. Code Part II (relating to General Rules of Administrative Practice and Procedure).
- (d) Plans shall be resubmitted to the Department for approval if construction or alteration has not been started within 24 months from the date the plans received final approval.

- (e) Plans submitted to the Department for approval shall include the following items:
 - (1) Wall sections and details, including stairs, location and fastening of handrails and grab bars.
 - (2) Mechanical and electrical drawings.
 - (3) Schedules of room finishes, door type and size, plumbing fixtures, electrical fixtures and special equipment, such as sterilizers, kitchen equipment and the like.
 - (4) Site plan—1 inch equals 40 feet—indicating new and existing structures, roads, services, walls and north arrow.
 - (5) Floor plans using a minimum of 1/8 inch scale.
 - (6) One-fourth inch scale layout: main kitchen, nurse's station, utility room, physical therapy room, occupational therapy room and the like.
 - (7) One-fourth inch scale layout: typical bedroom, indicating window, door, radiator, air conditioner, electrical outlets, permanent fixtures, furniture placement or other pertinent information; typical bathroom; and a toilet room.
 - (8) Exterior elevation.
 - (9) Wall section, typical.
 - (10) Plans shall be on drawing sheets at least 15 by 24 inches and not exceed 32 by 42 inches in size including the borders.

The provisions of this § 205.4 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.5. [Reserved].

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§ 205.6. Function of building.

(a) No part of a building may be used for a purpose which interferes with or jeopardizes the health and safety of residents. Special authorization shall be given by the Department's Division of Nursing Care Facilities if a part of the building is to be used for a purpose other than health care.

(b) The only persons who may reside in the facility shall be residents, employes, the licensee, the administrator or members of the administrator's immediate family.

Source

The provisions of this § 205.6 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; amended January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514; amended July 23, 1999, effective July 24, 1999, 29 Pa.B. 3999. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (242507) to (242508).

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§ 205.7. Basement or cellar.

Basements or cellars may be used for storage, laundry, kitchen, heat, electric and water equipment. Approval from the Department's Division of Nursing Care Facilities shall be secured before areas may be used for other purposes, such as physical therapy, central supply, occupational therapy and the like.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.7 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.8. Ceiling heights.

Ceiling heights may be 7 feet 6 inches except in boiler rooms where a minimum of 30 inches shall be provided above the main boiler heater and connecting piping. Adequate headroom for convenient maintenance and other proposed operations shall be maintained below the piping.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.8 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.9. Corridors.

- (a) Resident corridors shall have a handrail on both sides with a return to the wall at each rail ending. Handrails shall be detailed and finished for safety and shall be free from snagging. Brackets may not impede the continuous progress of hands along the railing.
 - (b) Corridors shall be lighted adequately during the day and night.
- (c) Areas used for corridor traffic may not be considered as areas for dining, storage, diversional or social activities.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.9 issued under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.10. Doors.

- (a) Doors into bathrooms and toilet rooms used by residents shall be at least 36 inches wide, except for an existing facility where the minimum width of toilet room doors is 32 inches.
 - (b) A door to a resident room shall swing into the room.
- (c) A door to a toilet room which swings into the toilet area shall be equipped with special hardware which permits the door to be opened from the outside, and swing out, in case of emergency.
- (d) Resident and visitor toilet stall doors shall swing out. Curtains or equivalent shall be considered as meeting this requirement.
 - (e) A door to a basement or a cellar may not be located in a resident room.
- (f) A door opening to the exterior, which may be opened occasionally for ventilation purposes, with the exception of an approved exit door, shall be effectively covered with screening.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.10 issued under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.11. [Reserved].

Authority

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§ 205.12. Elevators.

- (a) Elevator service shall be provided for residents when a resident use area is located above or below the first floor or grade level entrance in a building constructed or converted for use after January 1975 as a facility providing either skilled or intermediate care.
- (b) The cab platform of an elevator shall measure no less than 5 feet by 7 feet 6 inches. Cab and shaft door may have not less than a 44 inch opening and shall be power operated.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.12 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.13. Floors.

- (a) Floors traveled by residents shall be of nonskid material.
- (b) Floors in the kitchen, bathroom, toilet rooms, shower rooms, utility rooms, bedpan and hopper rooms shall be of nonskid, nonabsorbent materials and easily cleanable.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.13 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.14. Locks.

Doors into rooms used by residents may not be locked from the outside when the resident is in the room.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.14 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.15. [Reserved].

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§ 205.16. Stairs.

Stairs used by residents shall have no locked gates or free swinging doors obstructing ascent or descent.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.16 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.17. Stairways.

There shall be indoor stairs and stairways to a basement if the stairs are to be used by personnel of the facility.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.17 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.18. [Reserved].

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§ 205.19. Windows and windowsills.

- (a) Window openings in the exterior walls that are used for ventilation shall be effectively covered by screening.
- (b) Rooms with windows opening onto light or air shafts, or onto an exposure where the distance between the building or an obstruction higher than the windowsill is less than 20 feet may not be used for resident bedrooms.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.19 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.20. Resident bedrooms.

- (a) A bed for a resident shall be placed only in a bedroom approved by the Department.
- (b) The maximum number of residents who may be accommodated in the facility shall be indicated on the license.
- (c) The number of resident bedrooms and the number of beds in a room may not exceed the maximum number approved by the Department.
- (d) Single bed bedrooms shall provide minimum room area clearance, in addition to the area of closets, vestibule, wardrobes and toilet rooms, of 100 square feet.
- (e) Single resident bedrooms in facilities licensed prior to January 1975, shall contain at least 80 square feet of space.
- (f) A multibed bedroom shall provide minimum room area clearances, in addition to the area of closets, vestibule, wardrobes and toilet rooms of 80 square feet per bed.
- (g) In facilities licensed prior to January 1975, resident multibed bedrooms shall have at least 65 square feet of space per resident.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.20 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.21. Special care room.

- (a) Provisions shall be made for isolating a resident as necessary in a single room which is ventilated to the outside as set forth in § 205.66 (relating to special ventilation requirements for new construction). For new construction, there shall be an adjoining private bathroom which contains a toilet, lavatory and either a standard size tub or a shower.
- (b) Provisions shall be available to identify this room with appropriate precautionary signs.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.21 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.22. Placement of beds.

A bed may not be placed in proximity to radiators, heat vents, air conditioners, direct glare of natural light or drafts unless adequate provisions are made for resident comfort and safety.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.22 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.23. Location of bedrooms.

A resident bedroom shall have adjoining toilet facilities and shall be located conveniently near bathing facilities, except for those facilities licensed prior to January 1975.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.23 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.24. Dining room.

- (a) There shall be a minimum dining area of 15 square feet per bed for the first 100 beds and 13 1/2 square feet per bed for beds over 100. This space is required in addition to the space required for lounge and recreation rooms. These areas shall be well lighted and well ventilated.
- (b) Tables and space shall be provided to accommodate wheelchairs with trays and other devices.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.24 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.25. Kitchen.

- (a) There shall be at least one kitchen large enough to meet the needs of the facility.
- (b) A service pantry shall be provided for each nursing unit. The pantry shall contain a refrigerator, device for heating food, sink, counter and cabinets. For existing facilities, a service pantry shall be provided for a nursing unit unless the kitchen is sufficiently close for practical needs and has been approved by the Department.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.25 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.26. Laundry.

(a) A laundry room shall be provided in a facility where commercial laundry service is not used for the washing of soiled linens.

- (b) The entrance and exit to the laundry room shall be located to prevent the transportation of soiled or clean linens through food preparation, food storage or food serving areas.
- (c) The facility shall have a separate room for central storage of soiled linens. The room shall be well ventilated, constructed of materials impervious to odors and moisture and easily cleaned. Soiled linens may not be transported through areas where clean linen is stored.
- (d) A facility shall provide a separate room or area for central storage of clean linens and linen carts.
- (e) Equipment shall be made available and accessible for residents desiring to do their personal laundry.

The provisions of this § 205.26 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.27. Lounge and recreation rooms.

There shall be a minimum of 15 square feet of floor space per bed for recreation or lounge rooms provided for the first 100 beds and 13 1/2 square feet for all beds over 100. There shall be recreation or lounge rooms for residents on each floor.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.27 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.28. Nurses' station.

(a) A nurses' station shall be located in each nursing unit, located as centrally as practical within the nursing unit. A common nurses' station serving more than a single nursing unit may be permitted when the design of the project and method of operation indicate a satisfactory level of service. The size and facilities of the nurses' station shall be increased appropriate to the number of beds served and additional staffing required.

- (b) The nurses' station may not be more than 120 feet from the most remote resident room served.
 - (c) The nurses' station shall have facilities for:
 - (1) A nurses' call system.
 - (2) Charting and supplies.
 - (3) Medication storage and preparation, which may be within the clean workroom, if a self-contained cabinet is provided. The medication storage cabinet shall be locked. Mechanical ventilation shall be provided in this workroom. If a medication cart is used, provisions shall be made to lock the cart or to place the cart when not in use in a safe area that can be locked. The cart may not be stored in the corridor.
 - (4) A double-locked narcotic compartment within the medication area.

The provisions of this § 205.28 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.29. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.30. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.30 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (70670).

§ 205.31. Storage.

General storage space shall be provided for storage of supplies, furniture, equipment, residents' possessions and the like. Space provided for this purpose shall be commensurate with the needs of the nursing facility, but may not be less than 10 square feet per bed.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.31 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.32. Janitor closet.

- (a) At least one janitor closet shall be provided in a unit. If physical arrangement permits, one janitor's closet may serve more than one nursing unit or wing.
 - (b) A separate janitor's closet is required for the kitchen.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.32 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.33. Utility room.

- (a) Provisions shall be made in each nursing unit near the nurses' station for utility rooms. The area shall have separate soiled and clean workrooms. The rooms may not be more than 120 feet from the most remote room served. If one nursing station services several resident corridors, a soiled utility room shall be on each unit.
- (b) Facilities for flushing and rinsing bedpans, such as a spray attachment for the clinical sink or a separate bedpan flusher, shall be provided in the soiled workroom of each nursing unit, unless bedpan flushing devices, together with bedpan lugs on toilets are provided in each resident's toilet for this purpose.
- (c) Hand-washing facilities shall be available in the soiled and clean utility rooms.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.33 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.34. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.35. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.36. Bathing facilities.

- (a) The facility shall provide a general bathing area in each nursing unit to serve residents' bedrooms which do not have adjoining bathrooms with a bathtub or shower.
- (b) Bathing fixtures for either the tub or shower shall be provided at a ratio of one fixture per 15 beds or major fraction thereof.
- (c) Unless bathing fixtures are located in a separate room, there shall be compartments to permit privacy. Cubicle curtains may provide this privacy.
- (d) Each room or compartment shall provide space for the use of bathing fixtures, wheelchairs and dressing. Sufficient space shall be provided for the attendant who may need to assist the resident.
- (e) Each bathing room shall include a toilet and lavatory. If more than one tub or shower is in the bathing room, privacy shall be provided at each bathing facility and at the toilet.
- (f) Showers designed for wheelchair use may be no less than 4 feet square, shall be without curbs and shall have handrails and curtains.
- (g) Water controls for handicapped shower areas shall be located outside the shower stall. Other shower areas may have standard installation of shower controls.
- (h) The facility shall have at least one bathtub in each centralized bath area on each floor that is accessible from three sides with a minimum of 3 feet clearance on each side and 4 feet clearance from the foot of the tub to adjacent wall or obstruction.

The provisions of this § 205.36 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.37. Equipment for bathrooms.

- (a) Grab bars shall be installed as necessary at each tub and shower for safety and convenience. Grab bars, accessories and anchorage shall have sufficient strength to sustain a weight of 250 pounds for 5 minutes.
- (b) The general bathroom or shower room used by residents shall be provided with one emergency signal bell located in close proximity to the tub or shower and which registers at the nursing station. This is in addition to the emergency signal bell located at each toilet unless a single bell can be reached by the resident from both the toilet and tub or shower.
- (c) Provisions shall be made available to get residents in and out of bathtubs in a safe way to prevent injury to residents and personnel. The facility shall provide appropriate supervision and assistance to ensure the safety of all residents being bathed.
- (d) A dressing area shall be provided immediately adjacent to the shower stall and bathtub. In the dressing area, there shall be provisions for keeping clothes dry while bathing.
- (e) The facility shall ensure that water for baths and showers is at a safe and comfortable temperature before the resident is bathed.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.37 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.38. Toilet facilities.

(a) In toilet rooms that adjoin resident bedrooms, there shall be at least one toilet for four residents. This shall be directly accessible from bedrooms without entering the general corridor. In no case may one toilet service more than two bedrooms. The minimum dimension of a resident toilet room containing only a toilet shall be 3 feet by 6 feet.

- (b) There may be no less than 3 1/2 feet of space from front of toilet to opposite wall or fixtures.
- (c) There shall be at least one toilet on each floor to accommodate residents in wheelchairs.
- (d) At least one toilet room shall be provided for toilet training. This room shall be accessible from the nursing corridor and may serve the bathing area. Minimum dimensions for a toilet-training room containing only a toilet shall be 5 feet by 6 feet.
- (e) Floors or units with more than eight residents of both sexes shall be provided with separate toilet fixtures in a ratio of 1:4 or major fraction thereof for each sex. In existing facilities, overall toilet fixtures shall be provided in a ratio of 1:8 or major fraction thereof for each bed.
- (f) Toilets and lavatories other than resident facilities shall be provided for male and female visitors in facilities.

The provisions of this § 205.38 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.39. Toilet room equipment.

- (a) Toilet rooms shall be provided with lavatory, soap or soap dispenser, paper towels, mechanical dryer or other sanitary means of toweling. In toilet rooms adjacent to bedrooms, the lavatory may be omitted if provided in each bedroom
- (b) Toilets used by residents shall be provided with handrails or assist bars on each side capable of sustaining a weight of 250 pounds and an emergency call bell within reaching distance.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.39 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.40. Lavatory facilities.

- (a) A floor occupied by residents shall have lavatories in the ratio of 1:4 residents or major fraction thereof. In existing facilities, lavatory fixtures shall be provided in a ratio of 1:8 or major fraction thereof for each bed.
 - (b) A mirror shall be over each lavatory used by residents.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.40 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.41. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.42. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.42 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (23242).

§ 205.43. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.43 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (23242).

§ 205.44. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.44 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (23242) and (37960).

§ 205.45. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.45 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (37960).

§ 205.46. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.46 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (37960).

§ 205.47. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.47 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (37960).

§ 205.48. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.48 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (37960) to (37961).

§ 205.49. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.50. [Reserved].

Source

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MECHANICAL AND ELECTRICAL REQUIREMENTS

§ 205.61. Heating requirements for existing and new construction.

(a) The heating system shall comply with local and State codes. If there is a conflict, the more stringent requirements shall apply.

(b) Exposed heating pipes, hot water pipes or radiators in rooms and areas used by residents or within reach of residents, shall be covered or protected to prevent injury or burns to residents. This includes hot water or steam piping above 125°F.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.61 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.62. Special heating requirements for new construction.

- (a) Boiler feed pumps, heat circulating pumps, condensate return pumps and fuel oil pumps shall be connected and installed so that the total load can be carried by the remaining pumps with one pump out of service.
- (b) To prevent shutting down the entire system when repairs are required, supply and return mains and risers of cooling, heating and process steam systems shall be valved to isolate the various sections of the system. Each piece of equipment shall be valved at the supply and return.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.62 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.63. Plumbing and piping systems required for existing and new construction.

- (a) Potable ice may not be manufactured or stored in the soiled utility room.
- (b) Water distribution systems shall be designed and arranged to provide potable hot and cold water at hot and cold water outlets at all times. The system pressure shall be sufficient to operate fixture and equipment during maximum demand periods.
- (c) Hot water outlets accessible to residents shall be controlled so that the water temperature of the outlets does not exceed 110°F.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.63 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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§ 205.64. Special plumbing and piping systems requirements for new construction.

- (a) Plumbing systems shall be installed to meet the requirements of local plumbing codes and Chapter 14, Medical Care Facility Plumbing Equipment, of the *PHCC National Standard Plumbing Code*. Sections 14.22 and 14.23 of the *PHCC National Standard Plumbing Code* are not mandatory, but are recommended. If the codes listed in this subsection conflict, the most stringent requirement shall apply.
- (b) Approved backflow preventers or vacuum breakers shall be installed with plumbing fixtures or equipment where the potable water supply outlet may be submerged and which is not protected by a minimum air gap. This includes hose bibs, janitor sinks, bedpan-flushing attachments and other fixtures to which hoses or tubing can be attached.
- (c) Each water service main, branch main, riser and branch to a group of fixtures shall be valved. Stop valves shall be provided at each fixture.
- (d) Shower bases and tubs shall provide nonskid surfaces for standing residents.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.64 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.65. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.66. Special ventilation requirements for new construction.

(a) Ventilation for new construction shall conform to the following:

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Area Designation	Pressure Relationship to Adjacent Areas	Minimum Air Changes of Outdoor Air Per Hour	Minimum Total Air Changes Per Hour	All Air Directly to Outdoors	Recirculated within Room Units
Resident Room	Equal	2	2	Optional	Optional
Resident Area Corridor	Equal	Optional	2	Optional	Optional
Physical therapy	Negative	2	6	Optional	Optional
Occupational therapy	Negative	2	6	Optional	Optional
Soiled workroom or soiled holding	Negative	2	10	Yes	No
Clean workroom or clean holding	Positive	2	4	Optional	Optional
Toilet room	Negative	Optional	10	Yes	No
Bathroom	Negative	Optional	10	Yes	No
Janitor's closet	Negative	Optional	10	Yes	No
Sterilizer equipment room	Negative	Optional	10	Yes	No
Linen and trash chute rooms	Negative	Optional	10	Yes	No
Food preparation center	Equal	2	10	Yes	Yes
Warewashing room	Negative	Optional	10	Yes	Yes
Dietary day storage	Equal	Optional	2	Yes	No
Laundry, general	Equal	2	10	Yes	No
Soiled linen sorting and storage	Negative	Optional	10	Yes	No
Clean linen storage	Positive	Optional	2	Yes	No
Special Care Room/ Isolation	Negative	2	6	Yes	No

⁽b) Central air systems shall be provided with filters having a minimum efficiency of 25% based on ASHRAE Standard No. 52-68 and certified by an independent testing agency. Central air systems shall have a manometer installed across each filter bed.

- (c) Air supply systems shall be operated mechanically. Air exhaust and return systems shall be operated mechanically, except for air not required to be exhausted directly outdoors as indicated in subsection (a). Where subsection (a) requirements for outdoor air is optional, this air may be supplied directly by transfer ducts or grilles to adjacent spaces without being filtered through a central system. Air may not be transferred to or from corridors, to or from adjacent spaces, except as permitted in the applicable edition of the National Fire Protection Association 101 *Life Safety Code* which is currently adopted by the Department.
- (d) The dietary dry storage and kitchenware washing rooms may use direct air from the kitchen without being filtered through a central system.
- (e) The ventilation rates indicated in subsection (a) are minimum mandatory rates for the area listed and may not be construed as precluding the use of higher rates. For areas not listed, such as dining rooms, lounge and recreation rooms, solaria, and the like, mechanical ventilation rates are optional, but where mechanical ventilation is provided, the supply air shall be obtained from the outdoors through individual room units or from central systems. The unlisted room areas, if ventilated, shall contain an equal pressure relationship.
- (f) Where mechanical ventilation is not mandatory or provided, the areas may be ventilated by outside windows that can be easily opened and closed.
- (g) Outdoor air intakes may be no less than 25 feet from waste air discharges, such as discharge from ventilation systems, combustion stacks, plumbing vents, vehicle exhaust and the like. The bottom of outdoor air intakes serving central systems and kitchens may not be less than 3 feet above the finished grade or roof level.
- (h) Ventilation air openings which are located near floors shall be installed not less than 3 inches above the finished floor.
- (i) Air quantities in cubic feet per minute shall be indicated on the drawings for room supply, return and exhaust ventilation openings.

The provisions of this § 205.66 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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Cross References

This section cited in 28 Pa. Code § 205.21 (relating to special care room).

§ 205.67. Electric requirements for existing and new construction.

- (a) Artificial lighting shall be restricted to electric lighting.
- (b) Spaces occupied by people, machinery and equipment within buildings shall have electric lighting which is operational at all times.
 - (c) Electric lights satisfactory for residents' activities shall be available.
- (d) Electric lights in rooms used by residents shall be placed or shaded to prevent direct glare to the eyes of residents.
- (e) Night lights shall be provided in bedrooms, stairways, corridors, bathrooms and toilet rooms used by residents.
- (f) Arrangements to transfer lighting from overhead fixtures to night light fixtures in stairways and corridors shall be designed so that switches can only select between two sets of fixtures and cannot extinguish both sets at the same time.
- (g) In addition to night lights, residents' bedrooms shall have general lighting. The light emitting surfaces of the night light may not be in direct view of a resident in a normal in-bed position.
 - (h) A reading light shall be provided for each resident.
- (i) In each resident room there shall be grounding type receptacles as follows: one duplex receptacle on each side of the head of each bed except for parallel adjacent beds. Only one duplex receptacle is required between beds plus sufficient duplex receptacles to supply portable lights, television and motorized beds, if used, and one duplex receptacle on another wall.
- (j) A nurse's calling station—signal originating device—with cable with push button housing attached or other system approved by the Department shall be provided at each resident bed location so that it is accessible to the resident. Two cables and buttons serving adjacent beds may be served by one station. An emergency calling station within reach of the resident shall be provided at each bathing fixture and toilet unless a single bell can be reached by the resident from both the bathing fixture and the toilet. Cable and push button housing requirement will apply to those facilities constructed after July 1, 1987.
- (k) Calls shall register by a signal receiving and indicating device at the nurses' station, and shall activate a visible signal in the corridor at the resident's door. In multicorridor nursing units, additional visible signal indicators shall be installed at corridor intersections.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.67 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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\S 205.68. Special electrical requirements for new construction.

- (a) Electrical systems and equipment shall comply with the latest edition of the *National Electrical Code*, *NFPA 70*. If local or State codes are more stringent, the more stringent requirements apply.
- (b) Materials comprising the electrical systems shall be listed as complying with applicable standards of the Underwriters' Laboratories, Inc., or other similarly established standards.
- (c) Minimum lighting levels for long-term care nursing facilities shall conform with the following:

Area	Footcandles
Corridors and interior ramps	20
Stairways other than exits	30
Exit stairways and landings	5 on floor
Doorways	10
Administrative and lobby areas, day	50
Administrative and lobby areas, night	20
Chapel or quiet area	30
Physical therapy	20
Occupational therapy	30
Worktable, coarse work	100
Worktable, fine work	200
Recreation area	50
Dining area	30
Resident care unit (or room) general	10
Resident care room, reading	30
Nurses' station, general, day	50
Nurses' station, general, night	20
Nurses' desk, for charts and records	70
Nurses' medicine cabinet	100
Utility room, general	20
Utility room, work counter	50

Area	Footcandles
Pharmacy area, general	30
Pharmacy, compounding and dispensing areas	100
Janitor's closet	15
Toilet and bathing facilities	30
Barber and beautician areas	50

(d) The applicable standards for lighting levels are those established by the current edition of the Illuminating Engineering Society of North America (IES) Lighting Handbook.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.68 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

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FURNISHINGS, EQUIPMENT AND SUPPLIES

§ 205.71. Bed and furnishings.

A bed shall be equipped with a firm supporting mattress which is equal to the size of the frame and provides for the comfort and safety of the resident.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.71 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.72. Furniture.

A resident shall be provided with a drawer or cabinet in the resident's room that can be locked.

The provisions of this § 205.72 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

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§ 205.73. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.74. Linen.

The facility shall have available at all times a quantity of linens essential for proper care and comfort of residents.

Authority

The provisions of this \$ 205.74 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. \$ 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. \$ 532(g)).

Source

The provisions of this § 205.74 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; amended January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514; amended July 23, 1999, effective July 24, 1999, 29 Pa.B. 3999. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (242537).

§ 205.75. Supplies.

Adequate supplies shall be available at all times to meet the residents' needs.

Authority

The provisions of this § 205.75 amended under section 803 of the Health Care Facilities Act (35 P. S. § 448.803); and section 2102(g) of The Administrative Code of 1929 (71 P. S. § 532(g)).

Source

The provisions of this \$ 205.75 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; amended January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514; corrected June 19, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 2462; amended July 23, 1999, effective July 24, 1999, 29 Pa.B. 3999. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (242537) to (242538).

§ 205.81. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.81 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; amended July 6, 1979, effective July 7, 1979, 9 Pa.B. 2252; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (70684).

§ 205.82. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.83. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.84. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.85. [Reserved].

Source

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§ 205.86. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.86 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved February 11, 1977, effective February 12, 1977, 7 Pa.B. 437. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (23254).

§ 205.87. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.87 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved February 11, 1977, effective February 12, 1977, 7 Pa.B. 437. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (23254).

§ 205.88. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.88 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (23255).

§ 205.89. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.89 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial pages (23255) to (23256).

§ 205.90. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.90 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (23256).

§ 205.91. [Reserved].

Source

The provisions of this § 205.91 adopted August 29, 1975, effective September 1, 1975, 5 Pa.B. 2233; reserved January 31, 1987, effective July 1, 1987, 17 Pa.B. 514. Immediately preceding text appears at serial page (23256).

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