

Residential Care Facilities (Group R-2.1)

Inspection Checklist

(Group R-2.1 = More than 6 Non-Ambulatory or bedridden. Regardless of licensing agency)

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1. Minimum Construction: Type V-1 Hour construction. Max of 10,500 sq. ft.—3 stories. Nonambulatory clients to be limited to the first two stories. CBC Section 425.4.1 & Table 503.	☐	☐	☐
2. Smoke Barriers: a. Required where individual floor area exceeds 6,000 sq. ft. Area of a single smoke compartment shall not exceed 22,500 sq. ft. and travel distance to an exit or smoke barrier wall shall not exceed 200 feet. CBC, Sec. 425.5.1 <i>Exception: One story facilities housing more than six non-ambulatory elderly where the buildings have direct exits from each dwelling unit. H & S code, Section 13131.5.(a)(#4)</i> b. Smoke barrier framing to be covered with noncombustible material with thermal barrier index of not less than 15. CBC 425.5.2	☐	☐	☐
3. Automatic Fire Sprinkler Protection: Fire Sprinkler System in accordance with NFPA 13. CBC Sec. 903.2.8.	☐	☐	☐
4. Smoke Alarms: Required in each sleeping area and in the corridor or area giving access to each separate sleeping area. Exception: Smoke alarms not required in sleeping rooms when the sleeping rooms are protected by smoke detectors which are par of an automatic smoke detection system. CBC Sec. 425.7.3 and 907.2.11.2	☐	☐	☐
5. Carbon Monoxide Alarms: 1. Required in all new dwellings built after January 1, 2011. CBC 420.4.1. Might be required by building or fire officials for existing dwellings after July 1, 2011. H&S Code 17926.			
6. Fire Alarm: a. A complete automatic and manual fire alarm system shall be provided in accordance with CBC Section 907.2.9.3. This requirement is in addition to the smoke alarms required by CBC Section 425.7.3 <i>Exception: Buildings housing non-ambulatory clients only on the first floor and protected throughout by all of the following:</i> 1. An approved supervised automatic fire sprinkler system installed in accordance with NFPA #13. Activation of sprinkler system shall sound the <i>building fire alarm system.</i> 2. A manual fire alarm system. 3. Smoke alarms as required by CBC Sec. 907.2.11. b. Strobes shall be provided in public areas, common use areas, sleeping rooms and protective care facilities housing hearing impaired clients. CBC Section 907.5.2.3, 907.5.2.3.1 & 907.5.2.3.3.	☐	☐	☐
7. Exits: Two Exits required. CBC Sec. 425.8.2.1.	☐	☐	☐
8. Corridor Construction: Hallways/corridors serving 7 or more shall be 1-hour fire resistive	☐	☐	☐

	with door openings protected by 20-minute fire rated assemblies. Doors to be maintained self-closing or automatic-closing by activation of a smoke detector. Glazed openings to be labeled $\frac{3}{4}$ hour fire-rated assemblies. Table 1018.1. <i>Exception: In sprinklered buildings, rated corridor doors to client rooms do not require self-closers. (See CBC Sec. 425.8.4.2)</i>			
9.	Corridor Width: 60 inches on floors housing non-ambulatory clients and 44 inches on floors housing only ambulatory clients. CBC Sec. 425.8.4.2.	☐	☐	☐
10.	Intervening Rooms: Corridors shall not be interrupted by intervening rooms. CBC Sec. 1018.6. <i>Exception 1: Foyers, lobbies and reception rooms shall not be considered intervening rooms.</i>	☐	☐	☐
11.	Exit Enclosure: Two enclosed exit stairways remotely located shall be required if 7 or more non-ambulatory clients are located above the first floor. CBC Sec. 425.8.6.1.	☐	☐	☐
12.	Delayed Egress: Allowed if conforming to requirements of CBC Sec. 1008.1.9.7	☐	☐	☐
13.	Bedridden Clients: Allowed for facilities licensed after Jan. 1, 2008. See definition in CBC Section 310.1.	☐	☐	☐
14.	Exit Signs: Required as per CBC Section 1011.1	☐	☐	☐
15.	Floor Level Exit Signs: Required as per CBC Section 1011.6. <i>Exception: Where exit path marking is provided</i>	☐	☐	☐
16.	Exit Path Marking: Required as per CBC Section 1011.7 <i>Exception: Where floor level exit signs are provided</i>	☐	☐	☐
17.	Tactile Exit Signs: Required as per CBC Section 1011.3.	☐	☐	☐
18.	Emergency Lighting: Required as per CBC Section 1006.3. <i>Exception: Client sleeping rooms.</i>	☐	☐	☐
19.	Fire Extinguishers: Required as per CFC Sections 906.1	☐	☐	☐
20.	Exit ramps: Required as per CBC Section 1003.5	☐	☐	☐