

Chapter 11 Accessibility



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About this chapter: Chapter 11 contains provisions that set forth requirements for accessibility of buildings and their associated sites and facilities for people with physical disabilities. The fundamental philosophy of the code on the subject of accessibility is that everything is required to be accessible. This is reflected in the basic applicability requirement (see [Section 1103.1](#)). The code's scoping requirements then address the conditions under which accessibility is not required in terms of exceptions to this general mandate. While the IBC contains scoping provisions for accessibility (for example, what, where and how many), [ICC A117.1](#), Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities, is the referenced standard for the technical provisions (in other words, how). Accessibility criteria for existing buildings are addressed in the [International Existing Building Code](#)[®]. The Code references Chapter 11 for accessibility provisions; therefore, this chapter may be applicable to housing covered under the [International Residential Code](#). The provisions in the I-Codes are intended to meet or exceed the requirements in the federal accessibility requirement found in the Americans with Disabilities Act and the Fair Housing Act.

There are many accessibility issues that not only benefit people with disabilities, but also provide a tangible benefit to people without disabilities. This type of requirement can be set forth in the code as generally applicable without necessarily identifying it specifically as an accessibility-related issue. Such a requirement would then be considered as having been "mainstreamed." For example, visible alarms are located in [Chapter 9](#) and accessible means of egress and ramp requirements are addressed in [Chapter 10](#).

Section 1101 General

1101.1 Scope.

The provisions of this chapter shall control the design and construction of facilities for accessibility for individuals with disabilities.

Section 1102 Compliance

1102.1 Design.

Buildings and facilities shall be designed and constructed to be *accessible* in accordance with this code and [ICC A117.1](#).

Section 1103 Scoping Requirements

1103.1 Where required.

Sites, buildings, structures, facilities, elements and spaces, temporary or permanent, shall be accessible to individuals with disabilities.

1103.2 General exceptions.

Sites, buildings, structures, facilities, elements and spaces shall be exempt from this chapter to the extent specified in this section.

1103.2.1 Specific requirements.

Accessibility is not required in buildings and *facilities*, or portions thereof, to the extent permitted by [Sections 1104](#) through [1112](#).

1103.2.2 Employee work areas.

Spaces and elements within *employee work areas* shall only be required to comply with [Sections 907.5.2.3.1, 1009](#) and [1104.3.1](#) and shall be designed and constructed so that individuals with disabilities can approach, enter and exit the work area. Work areas, or portions of work areas, other than raised courtroom stations in accordance with [Section 1109.4.1.4](#), that are less than 300 square feet (30 m²) in area and located 7 inches (178 mm) or more above or below the ground or finished floor where the change in elevation is essential to the function of the space shall be exempt from all requirements.

1103.2.3 Detached dwellings.

Detached one- and two- family *dwellings*, their accessory structures and their associated *sites* and *facilities* are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.4 Utility buildings.

Group U occupancies are not required to comply with this chapter other than the following:

1. 1. In agricultural buildings, access is required to paved work areas and areas open to the general public.
2. 2. *Private garages* or carports that contain required accessible parking.

1103.2.5 Construction sites.

Structures, *sites* and equipment directly associated with the actual processes of construction including, but not limited to, scaffolding, bridging, materials hoists, materials storage or construction trailers are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.6 Raised areas.

Raised areas used primarily for purposes of security, life safety or fire safety including, but not limited to, observation galleries, prison guard towers, fire towers or lifeguard stands are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.7 Limited access spaces.

Spaces accessed only by ladders, catwalks, crawl spaces, freight elevators or very narrow passageways are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.8 Areas in places of religious worship.

Raised or lowered areas, or portions of areas, in *places of religious worship* that are less than 300 square feet (30 m²) in area and located 7 inches (178 mm) or more above or below the finished floor and used primarily for the performance of religious ceremonies are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.9 Equipment spaces.

Spaces frequented only by service personnel for maintenance, repair or occasional monitoring of equipment are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.10 Highway tollbooths.

Highway tollbooths where the access is provided only by bridges above the vehicular traffic or underground tunnels are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.11 Residential Group R-1.

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Buildings of Group R-1 containing not more than five *sleeping units* for rent or hire that are also occupied as the residence of the proprietor are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.12 Day care facilities.

Where a day care facility is part of a *dwelling unit*, only the portion of the structure utilized for the day care facility is required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.13 Detention and correctional facilities.

In detention and correctional facilities, common use areas that are used only by inmates or detainees and security personnel, and that do not serve holding *cells* or housing *cells* required to be *Accessible units*, are not required to comply with this chapter.

1103.2.14 Walk-in coolers and freezers.

Walk-in cooler and freezer equipment accessed only from *employee work areas* is not required to comply with this chapter.

Section 1104 Accessible Route

1104.1 Site arrival points.

At least one *accessible* route within the *site* shall be provided from public transportation stops, accessible parking, accessible passenger loading zones, and public streets or sidewalks to the accessible building entrance served.

Exception: Other than in buildings or *facilities* containing or serving *Type B units*, an *accessible route* shall not be required between *site* arrival points and the building or *facility* entrance if the only means of access between them is a vehicular way not providing for pedestrian access.

1104.2 Within a site.

At least one *accessible* route shall connect accessible buildings, accessible facilities, accessible elements and accessible spaces that are on the same *site*.

Exceptions:

1. 1. An *accessible* route is not required between accessible buildings, accessible facilities, accessible elements and accessible spaces that have, as the only means of access between them, a vehicular way not providing for pedestrian access.
2. 2. An *accessible route* to recreational facilities shall only be required to the extent specified in [Section 1111](#).

1104.3 Connected spaces.

Where a building or portion of a building is required to be *accessible*, at least one *accessible* route shall be provided to each portion of the building, to accessible building entrances connecting accessible *pedestrian walkways* and to the *public way*.

Exceptions:

1. 1. *Stories* and *mezzanines* exempted by [Section 1104.4](#).

2. 2. In a building, room or space used for assembly purposes with *fixed seating*, an *accessible route* shall not be required to serve levels where *wheelchair spaces* are not provided.
3. 3. Vertical access to elevated employee workstations within a courtroom complying with [Section 1109.4.1.4](#).
4. 4. An *accessible route* to recreational facilities shall only be required to the extent specified in [Section 1111](#).

1104.3.1 Employee work areas.

Common use circulation paths within *employee work areas* shall be *accessible routes*.

Exceptions:

1. 1. *Common use circulation paths*, located within *employee work areas* that are less than 1,000 square feet (93 m²) in size and defined by permanently installed partitions, counters, casework or furnishings, shall not be required to be *accessible routes*.
2. 2. *Common use circulation paths*, located within *employee work areas*, that are an integral component of equipment, shall not be required to be *accessible routes*.
3. 3. *Common use circulation paths*, located within exterior *employee work areas* that are fully exposed to the weather, shall not be required to be *accessible routes*.

1104.3.2 Press boxes.

Press boxes in a building, room or space used for assembly purposes shall be on an *accessible route*.

Exceptions:

1. 1. An *accessible route* shall not be required to press boxes in *bleachers* that have a single point of entry from the *bleachers*, provided that the aggregate area of all press boxes for each playing field is not more than 500 square feet (46 m²).
2. 2. An *accessible route* shall not be required to free-standing press boxes that are more than 12 feet (3660 mm) above grade provided that the aggregate area of all press boxes for each playing field is not more than 500 square feet (46 m²).

1104.4 Multistory buildings and facilities.

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At least one *accessible route* shall connect each accessible *story*, *mezzanine* and occupied roofs in multilevel buildings and *facilities*.

Exceptions:

1. 1. An *accessible route* is not required to *stories*, *mezzanines* and occupied roofs that have an aggregate area of not more than 3,000 square feet (278.7 m²) and are located above and below accessible levels. This exception shall not apply to:

1. 1.1. Multiple tenant facilities of Group M occupancies containing five or more tenant spaces used for the sales or rental of goods and where at least one such tenant space is located on a floor level above or below the accessible levels.
 2. 1.2. *Stories* or *mezzanines* containing offices of health care providers (Group B or I).
 3. 1.3. Passenger transportation facilities and airports (Group A-3 or B).
 4. 1.4. Government buildings.
 5. 1.5. Structures with four or more dwelling units.
2. 2. *Stories*, *mezzanines* or occupied roofs that do not contain accessible elements or other spaces as determined by [Section 1108](#) or [1109](#) are not required to be served by an accessible route from an *accessible* level.
 3. 3. In air traffic control towers, an *accessible route* is not required to serve the cab and the floor immediately below the cab.
 4. 4. Where a two-story building or facility has one *story* or *mezzanine* with an *occupant load* of five or fewer persons that does not contain *public use* space, that *story* or *mezzanine* shall not be required to be connected by an *accessible route* to the *story* above or below.

1104.5 Location.

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Accessible routes shall coincide with or be located in the same area as a general *circulation path*. Where the *circulation path* is interior, the *accessible route* shall be interior. Where only one *accessible route* is provided, the *accessible route* shall not pass through kitchens, storage rooms, restrooms, closets or similar spaces.

Exceptions:

1. 1. *Accessible routes* from parking garages contained within and serving *Type B units* are not required to be interior.
2. 2. A single *accessible route* is permitted to pass through a kitchen or storage room in an *Accessible unit*, *Type A unit* or *Type B unit*.

1104.6 Security barriers.

Security barriers including, but not limited to, security bollards and security check points shall not obstruct a required *accessible route* or accessible means of egress.

Exception: Where security barriers incorporate elements that cannot comply with these requirements, such as certain metal detectors, fluoroscopes or other similar devices, the *accessible route* shall be permitted to be provided adjacent to security screening devices. The *accessible route* shall permit persons with disabilities passing around security barriers to maintain visual contact with their personal items to the same extent provided others passing through the security barrier.

Section 1105 Accessible Entrances

1105.1 Public entrances.

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In addition to accessible entrances required by [Sections 1105.1.2](#) through [1105.1.8](#), at least 60 percent of all *public entrances* shall be *accessible*.

Exceptions:

1. 1. An accessible entrance is not required to areas not required to be *accessible*.
2. 2. Loading and *service entrances* that are not the only entrance to a tenant space.

1105.1.1 Automatic doors.

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In facilities with the occupancies and building *occupant loads* indicated in [Table 1105.1.1](#), *public entrances* that are required to be *accessible* shall have one door be either a full *power-operated door* or a *low-energy power-operated door*. Where the *public entrance* includes a vestibule, at least one door into and one door out of the vestibule shall meet the requirements of this section.

**TABLE 1105.1.1
PUBLIC ENTRANCE WITH POWER-OPERATED Door***

OCCUPANCY	BUILDING OCCUPANT LOAD GREATER THAN
A-1, A-2, A-3, A-4	300
B, M, R-1	500

1. a. In mixed-use facilities where the total sum of the building occupant load is greater than those listed, the most restrictive building occupant load shall apply.

1105.1.2 Parking garage entrances.

Where provided, direct access for pedestrians from parking structures to buildings or facility entrances shall be *accessible*.

1105.1.3 Entrances from tunnels or elevated walkways.

Where direct access is provided for pedestrians from a pedestrian tunnel or elevated walkway to a building or facility, at least one entrance to the building or facility from each tunnel or walkway shall be *accessible*.

1105.1.4 Restricted entrances.

Where *restricted entrances* are provided to a building or facility, at least one *restricted entrance* to the building or facility shall be *accessible*.

1105.1.5 Entrances for inmates or detainees.

Where entrances used only by inmates or detainees and security personnel are provided at judicial facilities, detention facilities or correctional facilities, at least one such entrance shall be *accessible*.

1105.1.6 Service entrances.

If a *service entrance* is the only entrance to a building or a tenant space in a facility, that entrance shall be *accessible*.

1105.1.7 Tenant spaces.

At least one accessible entrance shall be provided to each tenant in a facility.

Exception: An accessible entrance is not required to *self-service storage facilities* that are not required to be *accessible*.

1105.1.8 Dwelling units and sleeping units.

At least one accessible entrance shall be provided to each *dwelling unit* and *sleeping unit* in a facility.

Exception: An accessible entrance is not required to *dwelling units* and *sleeping units* that are not required to be *Accessible units*, *Type A units* or *Type B units*.

Section 1106 Parking and Passenger Loading Facilities

1106.1 General.

Parking shall comply with [Sections 1106.2 through 1106.8](#). Passenger loading zones shall comply with [Section 1106.9](#).

1106.2 Required.

Where parking is provided, accessible parking spaces shall be provided in compliance with [Table 1106.2](#), except as required by [Sections 1106.3](#) through [1106.5](#). Where more than one parking facility is provided on a site, the number of parking spaces required to be *accessible* shall be calculated separately for each parking facility.

Exception: This section does not apply to parking spaces used exclusively for buses, trucks, other delivery vehicles, law enforcement vehicles or vehicular impound and motor pools where lots accessed by the public are provided with an accessible passenger loading zone.

TABLE 1106.2
Accessible Parking Spaces

TOTAL PARKING SPACES PROVIDED IN PARKING FACILITIES	REQUIRED MINIMUM NUMBER OF ACCESSIBLE SPACES
1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 75	3
76 to 100	4
101 to 150	5
151 to 200	6
201 to 300	7

301 to 400	8
401 to 500	9
501 to 1,000	2% of total
1,001 and over	20, plus one for each 100, or fraction thereof, over 1,000

1106.3 Groups I-1, R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4.

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Accessible parking spaces shall be provided in Group I-1, R-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies in accordance with Items 1 through 4 as applicable.

1. 1. In Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies that are required to have Accessible, Type A or *Type B dwelling units* or *sleeping units*, at least 2 percent, but not less than one, of each type of parking space provided shall be accessible.
2. 2. In Group I-1 and R-1 occupancies, accessible parking shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1106.2](#).
3. 3. Where at least one parking space is provided for each *dwelling unit* or *sleeping unit*, at least one *accessible* parking space shall be provided for each *Accessible* and *Type A unit*.
4. 4. Where parking is provided within or beneath a building, *accessible* parking spaces shall be provided within or beneath the building.

1106.4 Hospital outpatient facilities.

At least 10 percent, but not less than one, of care recipient and visitor parking spaces provided to serve *hospital* outpatient facilities shall be *accessible*.

1106.5 Rehabilitation facilities and outpatient physical therapy facilities.

At least 20 percent, but not less than one, of the portion of care recipient and visitor parking spaces serving rehabilitation facilities specializing in treating conditions that affect mobility and outpatient physical therapy facilities shall be *accessible*.

1106.6 Van spaces.

For every six or fraction of six accessible parking spaces, at least one shall be a van-accessible parking space.

Exception: In Group U *private garages* that serve Group R-2 and R-3 occupancies, van-accessible spaces shall be permitted to have vehicular routes, entrances, parking spaces and access aisles with a minimum vertical clearance of 7 feet (2134 mm).

1106.7Location.

Accessible parking spaces shall be located on the shortest accessible route of travel from adjacent parking to an accessible building entrance. In parking facilities that do not serve a particular building, accessible parking spaces shall be located on the shortest route to an accessible pedestrian entrance to the parking facility. Where buildings have multiple accessible entrances with adjacent parking, *accessible* parking spaces shall be dispersed and located near the accessible entrances.

Exceptions:

1. In multilevel parking structures, van-accessible parking spaces are permitted on one level.
2. *Accessible* parking spaces shall be permitted to be located in different parking facilities if substantially equivalent or greater accessibility is provided in terms of distance from an *accessible* entrance or entrances, parking fee and user convenience.

1106.8Parking meters and pay stations.

Where parking meters and pay stations serve accessible parking spaces, such parking meters and pay stations shall be *accessible*.

1106.9Passenger loading zones.

Passenger loading zones shall be *accessible*.

1106.9.1Continuous loading zones.

Where passenger loading zones are provided, one passenger loading zone in every continuous 100 linear feet (30.4 m) maximum of loading zone space shall be *accessible*.

1106.9.2Medical facilities.

A passenger loading zone shall be provided at an accessible entrance to licensed medical and long-term care facilities where people receive physical or medical treatment or care and where the period of stay exceeds 24 hours.

1106.9.3Valet parking.

A passenger loading zone shall be provided at valet parking services.

1106.9.4 Mechanical access parking garages.

Mechanical access parking garages shall provide at least one passenger loading zone at vehicle drop-off and vehicle pick-up areas.

Section 1107
Motor-Vehicle-Related Facilities

1107.1 General.

Electrical vehicle charging stations shall comply with [Section 1107.2](#). Fuel-dispensing systems shall comply with [Section 1107.3](#).

1107.2 Electrical vehicle charging stations.

Electrical vehicle charging stations shall comply with [Sections 1107.2.1](#) and [1107.2.2](#).
Exception: Electrical vehicle charging stations provided to serve Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies are not required to comply with this section.

1107.2.1 Number of accessible vehicle spaces.

Not less than 5 percent of vehicle spaces on the site served by electrical vehicle charging systems, but not fewer than one for each type of electric vehicle charging system, shall be accessible.

1107.2.2 Vehicle space size.

Accessible vehicle spaces shall comply with the requirements for a van accessible parking space that is 132 inches (3350 mm) minimum in width with an adjoining access aisle that is 60 inches (1525 mm) minimum in width.

[Section 1107.3](#) relocated from before 1110.16

1107.3 Fuel-dispensing systems.

Fuel-dispensing systems shall be *accessible*.

Section 1108 Dwelling Units and Sleeping Units

1108.1 General.

In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, occupancies having *dwelling units* or *sleeping units* shall be provided with accessible features in accordance with this section.

1108.2 Design.

Dwelling units and *sleeping units* that are required to be *Accessible units*, *Type A units* and *Type B units* shall comply with the applicable portions of Chapter 11 of [ICC A117.1](#). Units required to be *Type A units* are permitted to be designed and constructed as *Accessible units*. Units required to be *Type B units* are permitted to be designed and constructed as *Accessible units* or as *Type A units*.

1108.3 Accessible spaces.

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Rooms and spaces available to the general public or available for use by residents and serving *Accessible units*, *Type A units* or *Type B units* shall be *accessible*. *Accessible* spaces shall include toilet and bathing rooms, kitchen, living and dining areas and any exterior spaces, including patios, terraces and balconies.

Exceptions:

1. 1. *Stories* and *mezzanines* exempted by [Section 1108.4](#).
2. 2. Recreational facilities in accordance with [Section 1111.2](#).
3. 3. Exterior decks, patios or balconies that are part of *Type B units* and have impervious surfaces, and that are not more than 4 inches (102 mm) below the finished floor level of the adjacent interior space of the unit.

1108.4 Accessible route.

Not fewer than one accessible route shall connect accessible building or facility entrances with the primary entrance of each *Accessible unit*, *Type A unit* and *Type B unit* within the building or facility and with those exterior and interior spaces and facilities that serve the units.

Exceptions:

1. 1. If due to circumstances outside the control of the owner, either the slope of the finished ground level between accessible facilities and buildings exceeds one unit vertical in 12 units horizontal (1:12), or where physical barriers or legal

restrictions prevent the installation of an *accessible route*, a vehicular route with parking that complies with [Section 1106](#) at each *public* or common use facility or building is permitted in place of the *accessible route*.

2. 2.In Group I-3 facilities, an *accessible route* is not required to connect *stories* or *mezzanines* where *Accessible units*, all common use areas serving *Accessible units* and all *public use* areas are on an *accessible route*.
3. 3.In Group R-2 facilities with *Type A units* complying with [Section 1108.6.2.2.1](#), an *accessible route* is not required to connect *stories* or *mezzanines* where *Type A units*, all common use areas serving *Type A units* and all public use areas are on an *accessible route*.
4. 4.In other than Group R-2 *dormitory* housing provided by places of education, in Group R-2 facilities with *Accessible units* complying with [Section 1108.6.2.3.1](#), an *accessible route* is not required to connect *stories* or *mezzanines* where *Accessible units*, all common use areas serving *Accessible units* and all *public use* areas are on an *accessible route*.
5. 5.In Group R-1, an *accessible route* is not required to connect *stories* or *mezzanines* within individual units, provided the *accessible* level meets the provisions for *Accessible units* and sleeping accommodations for two persons minimum and a toilet facility are provided on that level.
6. 6.In *congregate residences* in Groups R-3 and R-4, an *accessible route* is not required to connect *stories* or *mezzanines* where *Accessible units* or *Type B units*, all common use areas serving *Accessible units* and *Type B units* and all *public use* areas serving *Accessible units* and *Type B units* are on an *accessible route*.
7. 7.An *accessible route* between *stories* is not required where *Type B units* are exempted by [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.5 Group I.

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Accessible units and *Type B units* shall be provided in Group I occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.5.1](#) through [1108.5.5](#).

1108.5.1 Group I-1.

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Accessible units and *Type B units* shall be provided in Group I-1 occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.5.1.1](#) and [1108.5.1.3](#).

1108.5.1.1 Accessible units.

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In Group I-1, Condition 1, at least 4 percent, but not less than one, of the *dwelling units* and *sleeping units* shall be *Accessible units*. Accessible dwelling units and sleeping units shall be dispersed among the various classes of units.

Exceptions:

1. Water closets shall not be required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#) where such water closets comply with [Section 1110.2.2](#), in not more than 50 percent of the *Accessible units*.
2. Roll-in-type showers shall not be required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#) where roll-in-type showers comply with [Section 1110.2.3](#), in not more than 50 percent of the *Accessible units*.

1108.5.1.2 Accessible units in Group I-1, Condition 2.

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In Group I-1, Condition 2, at least 10 percent, but not less than one, of the dwelling units and sleeping units shall be *Accessible units*. Accessible dwelling units and sleeping units shall be dispersed among the various classes of units.

Exceptions:

1. Water closets shall not be required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#) where such water closets comply with [Section 1110.2.2](#), in not more than 50 percent of the *Accessible units*.
2. Roll-in-type showers shall not be required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#) where roll-in-type showers comply with [Section 1110.2.3](#), in not more than 50 percent of the *Accessible units*.

1108.5.1.3 Type B units.

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In structures with four or more *dwelling units* or *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence*, every *dwelling unit* and *sleeping unit intended to be occupied as a residence* shall be a *Type B unit*.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.5.2 Group I-2 nursing homes.

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Accessible units and *Type B units* shall be provided in *nursing homes* of Group I-2, **Condition 1** occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.5.2.1](#) and [1108.5.2.2](#).

1108.5.2.1 Accessible units.

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At least 50 percent but not less than one of each type of the *dwelling units* and *sleeping units* shall be *Accessible units*.

Exceptions:

1. Water closets shall not be required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#) where such water closets comply with [Section 1110.2.2](#), in not more than 90 percent of the *Accessible units*.
2. Roll-in-type showers shall not be required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#) where roll-in-type showers comply with [Section 1110.2.3](#), in not more than 90 percent of the *Accessible units*.

1108.5.2.2 Type B units.

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In structures with four or more *dwelling units* or *sleeping units* intended to be occupied as a residence, every *dwelling unit* and *sleeping unit* intended to be occupied as a residence shall be a *Type B unit*.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.5.3 Group I-2 hospitals.

Accessible units and *Type B units* shall be provided in general-purpose *hospitals*, psychiatric facilities and *detoxification facilities* of Group I-2 occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.5.3.1](#) and [1108.5.3.2](#).

1108.5.3.1 Accessible units.

At least 10 percent, but not less than one, of the *dwelling units* and *sleeping units* shall be *Accessible units*.

Exception: Entry doors to *Accessible dwelling units* or *sleeping units* shall not be required to provide the maneuvering clearance beyond the latch side of the door.

1108.5.3.2 Type B units.

In structures with four or more *dwelling units* or *sleeping units* intended to be occupied as a residence, every *dwelling unit* and *sleeping unit* intended to be occupied as a residence shall be a *Type B unit*.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.5.4 Group I-2 rehabilitation facilities.

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In *hospitals* and rehabilitation facilities of Group I-2 occupancies that specialize in treating conditions that affect mobility, or units within either that specialize in treating conditions that affect mobility, 100 percent of the *dwelling units* and *sleeping units* shall be *Accessible units*.

Exceptions:

1. Water closets shall not be required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#) where such water closets comply with [Section 1110.2.2](#), in not more than 50 percent of *Accessible units*.
2. Roll-in-type showers shall not be required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#) where roll-in-type showers comply with [Section 1110.2.3](#), in not more than 50 percent of *Accessible units*.

1108.5.5 Group I-3.

Accessible units shall be provided in Group I-3 occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.5.5.1](#) through [1108.5.5.3](#).

1108.5.5.1 Group I-3 sleeping units.

In Group I-3 occupancies, at least 3 percent of the total number of *sleeping units* in the facility, but not less than one unit in each classification level, shall be *Accessible units*.

1108.5.5.2 Special holding cells and special housing cells or rooms.

In addition to the *Accessible units* required by [Section 1108.5.5.1](#), where special holding *cells* or special housing *cells* or rooms are provided, at least one serving each purpose shall be an *Accessible unit*. *Cells* or rooms subject to this requirement include, but are not limited to, those used for purposes of orientation, protective custody, administrative or disciplinary detention or segregation, detoxification and medical isolation.

Exception: *Cells* or rooms specially designed without protrusions and that are used solely for purposes of suicide prevention shall not be required to include grab bars.

1108.5.5.3 Medical care facilities.

Patient *sleeping units* or *cells* required to be *Accessible units* in *medical care* facilities shall be provided in addition to any medical isolation *cells* required to comply with [Section 1108.5.5.2](#).

1108.6 Group R.

Accessible units, *Type A units* and *Type B units* shall be provided in Group R occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.6.1](#) through [1108.6.4](#).

1108.6.1 Group R-1.

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Accessible units and *Type B units* shall be provided in Group R-1 occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.6.1.1](#) and [1108.6.1.2](#).

1108.6.1.1 Accessible units.

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Accessible dwelling units and *sleeping units* shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1108.6.1.1](#). On a multiple-building site, where structures contain more than 50 *dwelling units* or *sleeping units*, the number of *Accessible units* shall be determined per structure. On a multiple-building site, where structures contain 50 or fewer *dwelling units* or *sleeping units*, all *dwelling units* and *sleeping units* on a site shall be considered to determine the total number of *Accessible units*. *Accessible units* shall be dispersed among the various classes of units.

TABLE 1108.6.1.1
Accessible Dwelling Units and Sleeping Units

TOTAL NUMBER OF UNITS PROVIDED	MINIMUM REQUIRED NUMBER OF ACCESSIBLE UNITS WITHOUT ROLL-IN SHOWERS	MINIMUM REQUIRED NUMBER OF ACCESSIBLE UNITS WITH ROLL-IN SHOWERS	TOTAL NUMBER OF REQUIRED ACCESSIBLE UNITS
1 to 25	1	0	1
26 to 50	2	0	2
51 to 75	3	1	4
76 to 100	4	1	5
101 to 150	5	2	7

151 to 200	6	2	8
201 to 300	7	3	10
301 to 400	8	4	12
401 to 500	9	4	13
501 to 1,000	2% of total	1% of total	3% of total
Over 1,000	20, plus 1 for each 100, or fraction thereof, over 1,000	10 plus 1 for each 100, or fraction thereof, over 1,000	30 plus 2 for each 100, or fraction thereof, over 1,000

1108.6.1.2 Type B units.

CDP

In structures with four or more *dwelling units* or *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence*, every *dwelling unit* and *sleeping unit intended to be occupied as a residence* shall be a *Type B unit*.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.6.2 Group R-2.

CDP

Accessible units, *Type A units* and *Type B units* shall be provided in Group R-2 occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.6.2.1](#) through [1108.6.2.3](#).

1108.6.2.1 Live/work units.

In *live/work units* constructed in accordance with [Section 419](#), the nonresidential portion is required to be *accessible*. In a structure where there are four or more *live/work units intended to be occupied as a residence*, the residential portion of the *live/work unit* shall be a *Type B unit*.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.6.2.2 Apartment houses, monasteries and convents.

CDP

Type A units and *Type B units* shall be provided in apartment houses, monasteries and convents in accordance with [Sections 1108.6.2.2.1](#) and [1108.6.2.2.2](#). Bedrooms in monasteries and convents shall be counted as units for the purpose of determining the number of units. Where the bedrooms are grouped in *sleeping units*, only one bedroom in each *sleeping unit* shall count toward the number of required *Type A units*.

1108.6.2.2.1 Type A units.

CDP

In Group R-2 occupancies containing more than 20 *dwelling units* or *sleeping units*, at least 2 percent but not less than one of the units shall be a *Type A unit*. All Group R-2 units on a site shall be considered to determine the total number of units and the required number of *Type A units*. *Type A units* shall be dispersed among the various classes of units.

Exceptions:

1. The number of *Type A units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).
2. *Existing structures* on a site shall not contribute to the total number of units on a site.

1108.6.2.2.2 Type B units.

CDP

Where there are four or more *dwelling units* or *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence* in a single structure, every *dwelling unit* and *sleeping unit intended to be occupied as a residence* shall be a *Type B unit*.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.6.2.3 Group R-2 other than live/work units, apartment houses, monasteries and convents.

In Group R-2 occupancies, other than *live/work units*, apartment houses, monasteries and convents falling within the scope of [Sections 1108.6.2.1](#) and [1108.6.2.2](#), *Accessible units* and *Type B units* shall be provided in accordance with [Sections 1108.6.2.3.1](#) and [1108.6.2.3.2](#). Bedrooms within *congregate living facilities*, *dormitories*, sororities, fraternities and *boarding houses* shall be counted as *sleeping units* for the purpose of determining the number of units. Where the *bedrooms* are grouped into *dwelling* or *sleeping units*, only one *bedroom* in each *dwelling* or *sleeping unit* shall be permitted to count toward the number of required *Accessible units*.

1108.6.2.3.1 Accessible units.

Accessible dwelling units and sleeping units shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1108.6.1.1](#).

1108.6.2.3.2 Type B units.

Where there are four or more *dwelling units* or *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence* in a single structure, every *dwelling unit* and every *sleeping unit intended to be occupied as a residence* shall be a *Type B unit*.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.6.3 Group R-3.

CDP

In Group R-3 occupancies where there are four or more *dwelling units* or *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence* in a single structure, every *dwelling unit* and *sleeping unit intended to be occupied as a residence* shall be a *Type B unit*. Bedrooms within *congregate living facilities, dormitories, sororities, fraternities, and boarding houses* shall be counted as *sleeping units* for the purpose of determining the number of units.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.6.4 Group R-4.

Accessible units and *Type B units* shall be provided in Group R-4 occupancies in accordance with [Sections 1108.6.4.1](#) and [1108.6.4.2](#). Bedrooms in Group R-4 facilities shall be counted as *sleeping units* for the purpose of determining the number of units.

1108.6.4.1 Accessible units.

In Group R-4, Condition 1, at least one of the *sleeping units* shall be an *Accessible unit*. In Group R-4, Condition 2, at least two of the *sleeping units* shall be an *Accessible unit*.

1108.6.4.2 Type B units.

In structures with four or more *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence*, every *sleeping unit intended to be occupied as a residence* shall be a *Type B unit*.

Exception: The number of *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Section 1108.7](#).

1108.7 General exceptions.

CDP

Where specifically permitted by [Section 1108.5](#) or [1108.6](#), the required number of *Type A units* and *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced in accordance with [Sections 1108.7.1](#) through [1108.7.5](#).

1108.7.1 Structures without elevator service.

CDP

Where elevator service is not provided in a structure, only the *dwelling units* and *sleeping units* that are located on stories indicated in [Sections 1108.7.1.1](#) and [1108.7.1.2](#) are required to be *Type A units* and *Type B units*, respectively. The number of *Type A units* shall be determined in accordance with [Section 1108.6.2.2.1](#).

1108.7.1.1 One story with Type B units required.

At least one *story* containing *dwelling units* or *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence* shall be provided with an accessible entrance from the exterior of the structure and all units *intended to be occupied as a residence* on that *story* shall be *Type B units*.

1108.7.1.2 Additional stories with Type B units.

Where stories have entrances not included in determining compliance with [Section 1108.7.1.1](#), and such entrances are proximate to arrival points intended to serve units on that *story*, as indicated in Items 1 and 2, all *dwelling units* and *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence* served by that entrance on that *story* shall be *Type B units*.

- 1.1. Where the slopes of the undisturbed site measured between the planned entrance and all vehicular or pedestrian arrival points within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of the planned entrance are 10 percent or less.
- 2.2. Where the slopes of the planned finished grade measured between the entrance and all vehicular or pedestrian arrival points within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of the planned entrance are 10 percent or less.

Where arrival points are not within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of the entrance, the closest arrival point shall be used to determine access unless that arrival point serves the *story* required by [Section 1108.7.1.1](#).

1108.7.2 Multistory units.

CDP

A *multistory dwelling unit* or *sleeping unit* that is not provided with elevator service is not required to be a *Type B unit*. Where a *multistory unit* is provided with external elevator service to only one floor, the floor provided with elevator service shall be the primary entry to the unit, shall comply with the requirements for a *Type B unit* and, where provided within the unit, a living area, a kitchen and a toilet facility shall be provided on that floor.

1108.7.3 Elevator service to the lowest story with units.

Where elevator service in the building provides an *accessible route* only to the lowest *story* containing *dwelling units* or *sleeping units intended to be occupied as a residence*, only the units on that *story* that are *intended to be occupied as a residence* are required to be *Type B units*.

1108.7.4 Site impracticality.

On a site with multiple nonelevator buildings, the number of units required by [Section 1108.7.1](#) to be *Type B units* is permitted to be reduced to a percentage that is equal to the percentage of the entire site having grades, prior to development, that are less than 10 percent, provided that all of the following conditions are met:

- 1.1. Not less than 20 percent of the units required by [Section 1108.7.1](#) on the site are *Type B units*.
- 2.2. Units required by [Section 1108.7.1](#), where the slope between the building entrance serving the units on that *story* and a pedestrian or vehicular arrival point is not greater than 8.33 percent, are *Type B units*.
- 3.3. Units required by [Section 1108.7.1](#), where an elevated walkway is planned between a building entrance serving the units on that *story* and a pedestrian or vehicular arrival point and the slope between them is 10 percent or less, are *Type B units*.
- 4.4. Units served by an elevator in accordance with [Section 1108.7.3](#) are *Type B units*.

1108.7.5 Flood hazard areas.

Type A units and *Type B units* shall not be required for buildings without elevator service that are located in *flood hazard areas* as established in [Section 1612.3](#), where the minimum required elevation of the *lowest floor* or lowest supporting horizontal structural member, as applicable, results in all of the following:

- 1.1. A difference in elevation between the minimum required floor elevation at the primary entrances and vehicular and pedestrian arrival points within 50 feet (15 240 mm) exceeding 30 inches (762 mm).
- 2.2. A slope exceeding 10 percent between the minimum required floor elevation at the primary entrances and vehicular and pedestrian arrival points within 50 feet (15 240 mm).

Where such arrival points are not within 50 feet (15 240 mm) of the primary entrances, the closest arrival points shall be used.

Section 1109 Special Occupancies

1109.1 General.

In addition to the other requirements of this chapter, the requirements of [Sections 1109.2](#) through [1109.4](#) shall apply to specific occupancies.

1109.2 Assembly area seating.

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A building, room or space used for assembly purposes with *fixed seating* shall comply with [Sections 1109.2.1](#) through [1109.2.5](#). Lawn seating shall comply with [Section 1109.2.6](#). Assistive listening systems shall comply with [Section 1109.2.7](#). Performance areas viewed from assembly seating areas shall comply with [Section 1109.2.8](#). Dining areas shall comply with [Section 1109.2.9](#).

1109.2.1 Services.

If a service or facility is provided in an area that is not *accessible*, the same service or facility shall be provided on an accessible level and shall be *accessible*.

1109.2.2 Wheelchair spaces.

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CDP

In rooms and spaces used for assembly purposes with *fixed seating*, accessible *wheelchair spaces* shall be provided in accordance with [Sections 1109.2.2.1](#) through [1109.2.2.3](#).

1109.2.2.1 General seating.

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Wheelchair spaces shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1109.2.2.1](#).

TABLE 1109.2.2.1
Accessible Wheelchair Spaces

CAPACITY OF SEATING IN ASSEMBLY AREAS	MINIMUM REQUIRED NUMBER OF WHEELCHAIR SPACES
4 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 100	4

101 to 300	5
301 to 500	6
501 to 5,000	6, plus 1 for each 150, or fraction thereof, between 501 through 5,000
5,001 and over	36 plus 1 for each 200, or fraction thereof, over 5,000

1109.2.2.2 Luxury boxes, club boxes and suites.

In each luxury box, club box and suite within arenas, stadiums and *grandstands*, *wheelchair spaces* shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1109.2.2.1](#).

1109.2.2.3 Other boxes.

In boxes other than those required to comply with [Section 1109.2.2.2](#), the total number of *wheelchair spaces* provided shall be determined in accordance with [Table 1109.2.2.1](#). *Wheelchair spaces* shall be located in not less than 20 percent of all boxes provided.

1109.2.3 Companion seats.

At least one companion seat shall be provided for each *wheelchair space* required by [Sections 1109.2.2.1](#) through [1109.2.2.3](#).

1109.2.4 Dispersion of wheelchair spaces in multilevel assembly seating areas.

In *multilevel assembly seating areas*, *wheelchair spaces* shall be provided on the main floor level and on one of each two additional floor or *mezzanine* levels. *Wheelchair spaces* shall be provided in each luxury box, club box and suite within assembly facilities.

Exceptions:

1. In *multilevel assembly seating areas* utilized for worship services where the second floor or *mezzanine* level contains 25 percent or less of the total seating capacity, *wheelchair spaces* shall be permitted to all be located on the main level.

2. 2. In *multilevel assembly seating* areas where the second floor or *mezzanine* level provides 25 percent or less of the total seating capacity and 300 or fewer seats, all *wheelchair spaces* shall be permitted to be located on the main level.
3. 3. *Wheelchair spaces* in team or player seating serving *areas of sport activity* are not required to be dispersed.

1109.2.5 Designated aisle seats.

At least 5 percent, but not less than one, of the total number of aisle seats provided shall be designated aisle seats and shall be the aisle seats located closest to *accessible routes*.

Exception: Designated aisle seats are not required in team or player seating serving *areas of sport activity*.

1109.2.6 Lawn seating.

Lawn seating areas and exterior overflow seating areas, where fixed seats are not provided, shall connect to an *accessible route*.

1109.2.7 Assistive listening systems.

Each building, room or space used for assembly purposes where audible communications are integral to the use of the space shall have an assistive listening system.

Exception: Other than in courtrooms, an assistive listening system is not required where there is no audio amplification system.

1109.2.7.1 Receivers.

The number and type of receivers shall be provided for assistive listening systems in accordance with [Table 1109.2.7.1](#).

Exceptions:

1. 1. Where a building contains more than one room or space used for assembly purposes, the total number of required receivers shall be permitted to be calculated based on the total number of seats in the building, provided that all receivers are usable with all systems and if the rooms or spaces used for assembly purposes required to provide assistive listening are under one management.
2. 2. Where all seats in a building, room or space used for assembly purposes are served by an induction loop assistive listening system, the minimum number of receivers required by [Table 1109.2.7.1](#) to be hearing-aid compatible shall not be required.

TABLE 1109.2.7.1
Receivers For Assistive Listening Systems

CAPACITY OF SEATING IN ASSEMBLY AREAS	MINIMUM REQUIRED NUMBER OF RECEIVERS	MINIMUM NUMBER OF RECEIVERS TO BE HEARING-AID COMPATIBLE
50 or less	2	2
51 to 200	2, plus 1 per 25 seats over 50 seats*	2
201 to 500	2, plus 1 per 25 seats over 50 seats*	1 per 4 receivers*
501 to 1,000	20, plus 1 per 33 seats over 500 seats*	1 per 4 receivers*
1,001 to 2,000	35, plus 1 per 50 seats over 1,000 seats*	1 per 4 receivers*
Over 2,000	55, plus 1 per 100 seats over 2,000 seats*	1 per 4 receivers*

Note: * = or fraction thereof

1109.2.7.2 Ticket windows.

Where ticket windows are provided in stadiums and arenas, at least one window at each location shall have an assistive listening system.

1109.2.7.3 Public address systems.

CDP

Where stadiums, arenas and *grandstands* have 15,000 fixed seats or more and provide audible public announcements, they shall also provide prerecorded or real-time captions of those audible public announcements.

1109.2.8 Performance areas.

An *accessible route* shall directly connect the performance area to the assembly seating area where a *circulation path* directly connects a performance area to an assembly seating area. An *accessible route* shall be provided from performance areas to ancillary areas or facilities used by performers.

1109.2.9 Dining and drinking areas.

In dining and drinking areas, all interior and exterior floor areas shall be *accessible* and be on an accessible route.

Exceptions:

1. An accessible route between *accessible* levels and stories above or below is not required where permitted by [Section 1104.4](#), Exception 1.
2. An accessible route to dining and drinking areas in a *mezzanine* is not required, provided that the *mezzanine* contains less than 25 percent of the total combined area for dining and drinking and the same services, and decor are provided in the *accessible* area.
3. In sports facilities, tiered dining areas providing seating required to be *accessible* shall be required to have *accessible routes* serving at least 25 percent of the dining area, provided that *accessible routes* serve *accessible* seating and where each tier is provided with the same services.
4. Employee-only work areas shall comply with [Sections 1103.2.2](#) and [1104.3.1](#).

1109.2.9.1 Dining surfaces.

CDP

Where dining surfaces for the consumption of food or drink are provided, at least 5 percent, but not less than one, of the dining surfaces for the seating and standing spaces shall be *accessible* and be distributed throughout the facility and located on a level accessed by an *accessible route*.

1109.3 Self-service storage facilities.

Self-service storage facilities shall provide accessible individual self-storage spaces in accordance with [Table 1109.3](#).

TABLE 1109.3
Accessible Self-Service Storage Facilities

Total Spaces in Facility	Minimum Number of Required Accessible Spaces
1 to 200	5%, but not less than 1
Over 200	10, plus 2% of total number of units over 200

1109.3.1 Dispersion.

Accessible individual self-service storage spaces shall be dispersed throughout the various classes of spaces provided. Where more classes of spaces are provided than the number of required accessible spaces, the number of *accessible* spaces shall not be required to exceed that required by [Table 1109.3](#). *Accessible* spaces are permitted to be dispersed in a single building of a multiple-building facility.

1109.4 Judicial facilities.

Judicial facilities shall comply with [Sections 1109.4.1](#) and [1109.4.2](#).

1109.4.1 Courtrooms.

Each courtroom shall be accessible and comply with [Sections 1109.4.1.1](#) through [1109.4.1.5](#).

1109.4.1.1 Jury box.

A *wheelchair space* shall be provided within the jury box.

Exception: Adjacent companion seating is not required.

1109.4.1.2 Gallery seating.

Wheelchair spaces shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1109.2.2.1](#). Designated aisle seats shall be provided in accordance with [Section 1109.2.5](#).

1109.4.1.3 Assistive listening systems.

An assistive listening system must be provided. Receivers shall be provided for the assistive listening system in accordance with [Section 1109.2.7.1](#).

1109.4.1.4 Employee work stations.

The judge's bench, clerk's station, bailiff's station, deputy clerk's station and court reporter's station shall be located on an *accessible route*. The vertical access to elevated employee work stations within a courtroom is not required at the time of initial construction, provided a *ramp*, lift or elevator can be installed without requiring reconfiguration or extension of the courtroom or extension of the electrical system.

1109.4.1.5 Other work stations.

The litigant's and counsel stations, including the lectern, shall be *accessible*.

1109.4.2 Holding cells.

Central holding *cells* and court-floor holding *cells* shall comply with [Sections 1109.4.2.1](#) and [1109.4.2.2](#).

1109.4.2.1 Central holding cells.

Where separate central holding *cells* are provided for adult males, juvenile males, adult females or juvenile females, one of each type shall be *accessible*. Where central holding *cells* are provided and are not separated by age or sex, at least one accessible cell shall be provided.

1109.4.2.2 Court-floor holding cells.

Where separate court-floor holding *cells* are provided for adult males, juvenile males, adult females or juvenile females, each courtroom shall be served by one accessible cell of each type. Where court-floor holding *cells* are provided and are not separated by age or sex, courtrooms shall be served by at least one accessible cell. *Accessible cells* shall be permitted to serve more than one courtroom.

Section 1110 Other Features and Facilities

1110.1 General.

Accessible building features and facilities shall be provided in accordance with [Sections 1110.2](#) through [1110.16](#).

Exception: *Accessible units*, *Type A units* and *Type B units* shall comply with Chapter 10 of [ICC A117.1](#).

1110.2 Toilet and bathing facilities.

CDP

Each toilet room and bathing room shall be *accessible*. Where a floor level is not required to be connected by an *accessible route*, the only toilet rooms or bathing rooms provided within the facility shall not be located on the inaccessible floor. Except as provided for

in [Sections 1110.2.4](#) and [1110.2.5](#), at least one of each type of fixture, element, control or dispenser in each accessible toilet room and bathing room shall be *accessible*.

Exceptions:

1. 1.Toilet rooms or bathing rooms accessed only through a private office, not for *common* or *public use* and intended for use by a single occupant, shall be permitted to comply with the specific exceptions in [ICC A117.1](#).
2. 2.This section is not applicable to toilet and bathing rooms that serve *dwelling units* or *sleeping units* that are not required to be *accessible* by [Section 1108](#).
3. 3.Where multiple single-user toilet rooms or bathing rooms are clustered at a single location, at least 50 percent but not less than one room for each use at each cluster shall be *accessible*.
4. 4.Where no more than one urinal is provided in a toilet room or bathing room, the urinal is not required to be *accessible*.
5. 5.Toilet rooms or bathing rooms that are part of critical care or intensive care patient sleeping rooms serving *Accessible units* are not required to be *accessible*.
6. 6.Toilet rooms or bathing rooms designed for bariatrics patients are not required to comply with the toilet room and bathing room requirement in [ICC A117.1](#). The *sleeping units* served by bariatrics toilet or bathing rooms shall not count toward the required number of *Accessible sleeping units*.
7. 7.Where permitted in [Section 1108](#), in toilet rooms or bathrooms serving *Accessible units*, water closets designed for assisted toileting shall comply with [Section 1110.2.2](#).
8. 8.Where permitted in [Section 1108](#), in bathrooms serving *Accessible units*, showers designed for assisted bathing shall comply with [Section 1110.2.3](#).
9. 9.Where toilet facilities are primarily for children's use, required *accessible* water closets, toilet compartments and lavatories shall be permitted to comply with children's provision of [ICC A117.1](#).

1110.2.1 Family or assisted-use toilet and bathing rooms.

In assembly and mercantile occupancies, an accessible family or assisted-use toilet room shall be provided where an aggregate of six or more male and female water closets is required. In buildings of mixed occupancy, only those water closets required for the assembly or mercantile occupancy shall be used to determine the family or assisted-use toilet room requirement. In recreational facilities where separate-sex bathing rooms are provided, an accessible family or assisted-use bathing room shall be provided. Fixtures located within family or assisted-use toilet and bathing rooms shall be included in determining the number of fixtures provided in an occupancy.

Exception: Where each separate-sex bathing room has only one shower or bathtub fixture, a family or assisted-use bathing room is not required.

1110.2.1.1 Standard.

Family or assisted-use toilet and bathing rooms shall comply with [Sections 1110.2.1.2](#) through [1110.2.1.6](#).

1110.2.1.2 Family or assisted-use toilet rooms.

CDP

Family or assisted-use toilet rooms shall include only one water closet and only one lavatory. A family or assisted-use bathing room in accordance with [Section 1110.2.1.3](#) shall be considered to be a family or assisted-use toilet room.

Exception: The following additional fixtures shall be permitted in a family or assisted-use toilet room:

1. 1.A urinal.
2. 2.A child-height water closet.
3. 3.A child-height lavatory.

1110.2.1.3 Family or assisted-use bathing rooms.

Family or assisted-use bathing rooms shall include only one shower or bathtub fixture. Family or assisted-use bathing rooms shall also include one water closet and one lavatory. Where storage facilities are provided for separate-sex bathing rooms, accessible storage facilities shall be provided for family or assisted-use bathing rooms.

1110.2.1.4 Location.

Family or assisted-use toilet and bathing rooms shall be located on an *accessible route*. Family or assisted-use toilet rooms shall be located not more than one *story* above or below separate-sex toilet rooms. The *accessible route* from any separate-sex toilet room to a family or assisted-use toilet room shall not exceed 500 feet (152 m).

1110.2.1.5 Prohibited location.

In passenger transportation facilities and airports, the *accessible route* from separate-sex toilet rooms to a family or assisted-use toilet room shall not pass-through security checkpoints.

1110.2.1.6 Privacy.

Doors to family or assisted-use toilet and bathing rooms shall be securable from within the room and be provided with an "occupied" indicator.

1110.2.2 Water closets designed for assisted toileting.

CDP

Water closets designed for assisted toileting shall comply with [Sections 1110.2.2.1](#) through [1110.2.2.6](#).

1110.2.2.1 Location.

CDP

The centerline of the water closet shall be not less than 24 inches (610 mm) and not greater than 26 inches (660 mm) from one side of the required clearance.

1110.2.2.2 Clearance.

CDP

Clearance around the water closet shall comply with [Sections 1110.2.2.2.1](#) through [1110.2.2.2.3](#).

1110.2.2.2.1 Clearance width.

CDP

Clearance around a water closet shall be not less than 66 inches (1675 mm) in width, measured perpendicularly from the side of the clearance that is not less than 24 inches (610 mm) and not greater than 26 inches (660 mm) from the water closet centerline.

1110.2.2.2.2 Clearance depth.

CDP

Clearance around the water closet shall be not less than 78 inches (1980 mm) in depth, measured perpendicularly from the rear wall

1110.2.2.2.3 Clearance overlap.

CDP

The required clearance around the water closet shall permit overlaps per [ICC A117.1](#), Section 604.3.3

1110.2.2.3 Height.

CDP

The height of the water closet seats shall comply with [ICC A117.1](#), Section 604.4.

1110.2.2.4 Swing-up grab bars.

CDP

Swing-up grab bars shall comply with [ICC A117.1](#), Sections 609.2 and 609.8. Swing-up grab bars shall be provided on both sides of the water closet and shall comply with all of the following:

- 1.1. The centerline of the grab bar shall be not less than 14 inches (356 mm) and not greater than 16 inches (405 mm) from the centerline of the water closet.
- 2.2. The length of the grab bar is not less than 36 inches (915 mm) in length, measured from the rear wall to the end of the grab bar.

3.3. The top of the grab bar in the down position is not less than 30 inches (760 mm) and not greater than 34 inches (865 mm) above the floor.

1110.2.2.5 Flush controls.

CDP

Flush controls shall comply with ICC A117.1, Section 604.6.

1110.2.2.6 Dispensers

CDP

Toilet paper dispensers shall be mounted on at least one of the swing-up grab bars and the outlet of the dispenser shall be located not less than 24 inches (610 mm) and not greater than 36 inches (915 mm) from the rear wall.

1110.2.3 Standard roll-in-type shower compartment designed for assisted bathing.

CDP

Standard roll-in-type shower compartments designed for assisted bathing shall comply with Sections 1110.2.3.1 through 1110.2.3.9.

1110.2.3.1 Size.

CDP

Standard roll-in-type shower compartments shall have a clear inside dimension of not less than 60 inches (1525 mm) in width and 30 inches (760 mm) in depth, measured at the center point of opposing sides. An entry not less than 60 inches (1525 mm) in width shall be provided.

1110.2.3.2 Clearance.

CDP

A clearance of not less than 60 inches (1525 mm) in length adjacent to the 60-inch (1525 mm) width of the open face of the shower compartment, and not less than 30 inches (760 mm) in depth, shall be provided.

Exceptions:

1. A lavatory complying with ICC A117.1, Section 606 shall be permitted at one end of the clearance.
2. Where the shower compartment exceeds minimum sizes, the clear floor space shall be placed adjacent to the grab bars and not less than 30 inches (762 mm) from the back wall.

1110.2.3.3 Grab bars.

CDP

Grab bars shall comply with ICC A117.1, Section 609 and shall be provided in accordance with Sections 1110.2.3.3.1 and 1110.2.3.3.2. In standard roll-in-type shower compartments, grab bars shall be provided on three walls. Where

multiple grab bars are used, required horizontal grab bars shall be installed at the same height above the floor. Grab bars can be separate bars or one continuous bar.

1110.2.3.3.1 Back-wall grab bar.

CDP

The back-wall grab bar shall extend the length of the back wall and extend within 6 inches (150 mm) maximum from the two adjacent sidewalls.

Exception: The back-wall grab bar shall not be required to exceed 48 inches (1220 mm) in length. The rear grab bar shall be located with one end within 6 inches maximum of a sidewall with a grab bar complying with [Section 1110.2.3.3.2](#).

1110.2.3.3.2 Sidewall grab bars

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The sidewall grab bars shall extend the length of the wall and extend within 6 inches (150 mm) of the adjacent back wall.

Exceptions:

1. The sidewall grab bar shall not be required to exceed 30 inches (760 mm) in length. The side grab bar shall be located with one end within 6 inches (152 mm) of the back wall with a grab bar complying with [Section 1110.2.3.3.1](#).
2. Where the sidewalls are located 72 inches (1830 mm) or greater apart, a grab bar is not required on one of the sidewalls.

1110.2.3.4 Seats.

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Wall-mounted folding seats shall not be installed.

1110.2.3.5 Controls and hand showers

CDP

In standard roll-in-type showers, the controls and hand shower shall be located not less than 38 inches (965 mm) and not greater than 48 inches (1220 mm) above the shower floor. Controls shall be located to facilitate caregiver access.

1110.2.3.6 Hand showers.

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Hand showers shall comply with [ICC A117.1](#), Section 608.5.

1110.2.3.7 Thresholds.

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Thresholds shall comply with [ICC A117.1](#), Section 608.6.

1110.2.3.8 Shower enclosures.

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Shower compartment enclosures for shower compartments shall comply with [ICC A117.1](#), Section 608.7.

1110.2.3.9 Water temperature.

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Water temperature shall comply with [ICC A117.1](#), Section 608.8.

1110.2.4 Water closet compartment.

Where water closet compartments are provided in a toilet room or bathing room, at least 5 percent of the total number of compartments shall be wheelchair accessible. Where the combined total water closet compartments and urinals provided in a toilet room or bathing room is six or more, at least 5 percent of the total number of compartments shall be ambulatory accessible, provided in addition to the wheelchair-accessible compartment.

1110.2.5 Lavatories.

Where lavatories are provided, at least 5 percent, but not less than one, shall be *accessible*. Where an accessible lavatory is located within the accessible water closet compartment at least one additional accessible lavatory shall be provided in the multicompart ment toilet room outside the water closet compartment. Where the total lavatories provided in a toilet room or bathing facility is six or more, at least one lavatory with enhanced reach ranges shall be provided.

1110.3 Sinks.

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Where sinks are provided, at least 5 percent but not less than one provided in accessible spaces shall be *accessible*.

Exception: Mop or service sinks are not required to be *accessible*.

1110.4 Kitchens and kitchenettes.

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Where kitchens and kitchenettes are provided in accessible spaces or rooms, they shall be *accessible*.

1110.5 Drinking fountains.

Where drinking fountains are provided on an exterior site, on a floor or within a secured area, the drinking fountains shall be provided in accordance with [Sections 1110.5.1](#) and [1110.5.2](#).

1110.5.1 Minimum number.

Not fewer than two drinking fountains shall be provided. One drinking fountain shall comply with the requirements for people who use a wheelchair and one drinking fountain shall comply with the requirements for standing persons.

Exceptions:

1. 1.A single drinking fountain with two separate spouts that complies with the requirements for people who use a wheelchair and standing persons shall be permitted to be substituted for two separate drinking fountains.
2. 2.Where drinking fountains are primarily for children's use, drinking fountains for people using wheelchairs shall be permitted to comply with the children's provisions in [ICC A117.1](#) and drinking fountains for standing children shall be permitted to provide the spout at 30 inches (762 mm) minimum above the floor.

1110.5.2 More than the minimum number.

Where more than the minimum number of drinking fountains specified in [Section 1110.5.1](#) is provided, 50 percent of the total number of drinking fountains provided shall comply with the requirements for persons who use a wheelchair and 50 percent of the total number of drinking fountains provided shall comply with the requirements for standing persons.

Exceptions:

1. 1.Where 50 percent of the drinking fountains yields a fraction, 50 percent shall be permitted to be rounded up or down, provided that the total number of drinking fountains complying with this section equals 100 percent of the drinking fountains.
2. 2.Where drinking fountains are primarily for children's use, drinking fountains for people using wheelchairs shall be permitted to comply with the children's provisions in [ICC A117.1](#) and drinking fountains for standing children shall be permitted to provide the spout at 30 inches (762 mm) minimum above the floor.

1110.6 Bottle-filling stations.

Where bottle-filling stations are provided, they shall be *accessible*.

Exception: Bottle-filling stations over drinking fountains for standing persons are not required to be *accessible*, provided that bottle-filling stations are also located over the drinking fountains for persons using wheelchairs.

1110.7 Saunas and steam rooms.

Where provided, saunas and steam rooms shall be *accessible*.

Exception: Where saunas or steam rooms are clustered at a single location, at least 5 percent of the saunas and steam rooms, but not less than one, of each type in each cluster shall be *accessible*.

1110.8 Elevators.

Passenger elevators on an *accessible route* shall be *accessible* and comply with [Chapter 30](#).

1110.9Lifts.

Platform (wheelchair) lifts are permitted to be a part of a required *accessible route* in new construction where indicated in Items 1 through 10. Platform (wheelchair) lifts shall be installed in accordance with [ASME A18.1](#).

1. 1. An *accessible route* to a performing area and speaker platforms.
2. 2. An *accessible route* to *wheelchair spaces* required to comply with the wheelchair space dispersion requirements of [Sections 1109.2.2](#) through [1109.2.6](#).
3. 3. An *accessible route* to spaces that are not open to the general public with an *occupant load* of not more than five.
4. 4. An *accessible route* within an individual *dwelling unit* or *sleeping unit* required to be an *Accessible unit*, *Type A unit* or *Type B unit*.
5. 5. An *accessible route* to jury boxes and witness stands; raised courtroom stations including judges' benches, clerks' stations, bailiffs' stations, deputy clerks' stations and court reporters' stations; and to depressed areas such as the well of the court.
6. 6. An *accessible route* to load and unload areas serving amusement rides.
7. 7. An *accessible route* to play components or *soft contained play structures*.
8. 8. An *accessible route* to team or player seating areas serving *areas of sport activity*.
9. 9. An *accessible route* instead of gangways serving recreational boating facilities and fishing piers and platforms.
10. 10. An *accessible route* where existing exterior site constraints make use of a *ramp* or elevator infeasible.

1110.10Storage.

Where fixed or built-in storage elements such as cabinets, coat hooks, shelves, medicine cabinets, lockers, closets and drawers are provided in required accessible spaces, at least 5 percent, but not less than one of each type shall be *accessible*.

1110.10.1Equity.

Accessible facilities and spaces shall be provided with the same storage elements as provided in the similar non accessible facilities and spaces.

1110.10.2Shelving and display units.

Self-service shelves and display units shall be located on an *accessible route*. Such shelving and display units shall not be required to comply with reach-range provisions.

1110.11Detectable warnings.

Passenger transit platform edges bordering a drop-off and not protected by platform screens or *guards* shall have a *detectable warning*.

Exception: *Detectable warnings* are not required at bus stops.

1110.12 Seating at tables, counters and work surfaces.

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Where seating or standing space at fixed or built-in tables, counters or work surfaces is provided in accessible spaces, at least 5 percent of the seating and standing spaces, but not less than one, shall be *accessible*.

Exception: Check-writing surfaces at check-out aisles not required to comply with [Section 1110.13.1](#) are not required to be *accessible*.

1110.12.1 Dispersion.

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Accessible fixed or built-in seating at tables, counters or work surfaces shall be distributed throughout the space or facility containing such elements and located on a level accessed by an *accessible route*.

1110.12.2 Visiting areas.

Visiting areas in judicial facilities and Group I-3 shall comply with [Sections 1110.12.2.1](#) and [1110.12.2.2](#).

1110.12.2.1 Cubicles and counters.

At least 5 percent, but not less than one of the cubicles, shall be *accessible* on both the visitor and detainee sides. Where counters are provided, at least one shall be *accessible* on both the visitor and detainee sides.

Exception: This requirement shall not apply to the detainee side of cubicles or counters at noncontact visiting areas not serving *Accessible unit* holding cells.

1110.12.2.2 Partitions.

Where solid partitions or security glazing separate visitors from detainees, at least one of each type of cubicle or counter partition shall be *accessible*.

1110.13 Service facilities.

Service facilities shall provide for accessible features in accordance with [Sections 1110.14](#) through [1110.13.4](#).
[Section before 1110.13.1 relocated to 1110.14](#)

1110.13.1 Check-out aisles.

Where check-out aisles are provided, accessible check-out aisles shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1110.13.1](#). Where check-out aisles serve different functions, accessible check-out aisles shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1110.13.1](#) for each function. Where check-out aisles are dispersed throughout the building or facility, accessible check-out aisles shall also be dispersed. Traffic control devices, security devices and turnstiles located in accessible check-out aisles or lanes shall be *accessible*.
Exception: Where the public use area is under 5,000 square feet (465 m²) not more than one accessible check-out aisle shall be required.

TABLE 1110.13.1
Accessible Check-Out Aisles

Total Check-Out Aisles of Each Function	Minimum Number of Accessible Check-Out Aisles of Each Function
1 to 4	1
5 to 8	2
9 to 15	3
Over 15	3, plus 20% of additional aisles

1110.13.2 Sales and service counters and windows.

Where counters or windows are provided for sale or distribution of goods or services, at least one of each type of counter and window provided shall be *accessible*. Where such counters or windows are dispersed throughout the building or facility, accessible counters or windows shall also be dispersed.

1110.13.3 Food service lines.

Food service lines shall be *accessible*. Where self-service shelves are provided, at least 50 percent, but not less than one, of each type provided shall be *accessible*.

1110.13.4 Queue and waiting lines.

Queue and waiting lines servicing accessible counters or check-out aisles shall be *accessible*.

Section 1110.14 relocated from before 1110.13.1

1110.14 Dressing, fitting and locker rooms.

Where dressing rooms, fitting rooms or locker rooms are provided, at least 5 percent, but not less than one, of each type of use in each cluster provided shall be *accessible*.

1110.15 Controls, operating mechanisms and hardware.

Controls, operating mechanisms and hardware intended for operation by the occupant, including switches that control lighting and ventilation and electrical convenience outlets, in accessible spaces, along accessible routes or as parts of *accessible* elements shall be *accessible*.

Exceptions:

1. Operable parts that are intended for use only by service or maintenance personnel shall not be required to be *accessible*.
- 2.
3. Access doors or gates in barrier walls and fences protecting pools, spas and hot tubs shall be permitted to comply with Section 1010.2.3.
4. Operable parts exempted in accordance with ICC A117.1 are not required to be *accessible*.

Section before 1110.16 relocated to 1107.3

1110.16 Gaming machines and gaming tables.

At least two percent of the total, but not fewer than one, of each *gaming machine type* and *gaming table type* shall be *accessible*.

Where multiple *gaming areas* occur, accessible gaming machines and gaming tables shall be distributed throughout.

Section 1111 Recreational Facilities

1111.1 General.

Recreational facilities shall be provided with accessible features in accordance with Sections 1111.2 through 1111.4.

1111.2 Facilities serving Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies.

Recreational facilities that serve Group R-2, R-3 and Group R-4 occupancies shall comply with [Sections 1111.2.1](#) through [1111.2.3](#), as applicable.

1111.2.1 Facilities serving Accessible units.

In Group R-2 and R-4 occupancies where recreational facilities serve *Accessible units*, every recreational facility of each type serving *Accessible units* shall be *accessible*.

1111.2.2 Facilities serving Type A and Type B units in a single building.

In Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies where recreational facilities serve a single building containing *Type A units* or *Type B units*, 25 percent, but not less than one, of each type of recreational facility shall be *accessible*. Every recreational facility of each type on a site shall be considered to determine the total number of each type that is required to be *accessible*.

1111.2.3 Facilities serving Type A and Type B units in multiple buildings.

In Group R-2, R-3 and R-4 occupancies on a single site where multiple buildings containing *Type A units* or *Type B units* are served by recreational facilities, 25 percent, but not less than one, of each type of recreational facility serving each building shall be *accessible*. The total number of each type of recreational facility that is required to be *accessible* shall be determined by considering every recreational facility of each type serving each building on the site.

1111.3 Other occupancies.

Recreational facilities not falling within the purview of [Section 1111.2](#) shall be *accessible*.

1111.4 Recreational facilities.

Recreational facilities shall be *accessible* and shall be on an *accessible route* to the extent specified in this section.

1111.4.1 Area of sport activity.

Each *area of sport activity* shall be on an *accessible route* and shall not be required to be *accessible* except as provided for in [Sections 1111.4.2](#) through [1111.4.15](#).

1111.4.2 Team or player seating.

At least one wheelchair space shall be provided in team or player seating areas serving *areas of sport activity*.

Exception: Wheelchair spaces shall not be required in team or player seating areas serving bowling lanes that are not required to be *accessible* in accordance with [Section 1111.4.3](#).

1111.4.3 Bowling lanes.

An *accessible route* shall be provided to at least 5 percent, but not less than one, of each type of bowling lane.

1111.4.4 Court sports.

In court sports, at least one *accessible route* shall directly connect both sides of the court.

1111.4.5 Raised boxing or wrestling rings.

Raised boxing or wrestling rings are not required to be *accessible* or to be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.6 Raised refereeing, judging and scoring areas.

Raised structures used solely for refereeing, judging or scoring a sport are not required to be *accessible* or to be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.7 Animal containment areas.

Animal containment areas that are not within public use areas are not required to be *accessible* or to be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.8 Amusement rides.

Amusement rides that move persons through a fixed course within a defined area shall comply with [Sections 1111.4.8.1](#) through [1111.4.8.3](#).

Exception: Mobile or portable amusement rides shall not be required to be *accessible*.

1111.4.8.1 Load and unload areas.

Load and unload areas serving amusement rides shall be *accessible* and be on an *accessible route*. Where load and unload areas have more than one loading or unloading position, at least one loading and unloading position shall be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.8.2 Wheelchair spaces, ride seats designed for transfer and transfer devices.

Where amusement rides are in the load and unload position, the following shall be on an *accessible route*.

1. 1. The position serving a wheelchair space.
2. 2. Amusement ride seats designed for transfer.
3. 3. Transfer devices.

1111.4.8.3 Minimum number.

Amusement rides shall provide at least one wheelchair space, amusement ride seat designed for transfer or transfer device.

Exceptions:

1. 1. Amusement rides that are controlled or operated by the rider are not required to comply with this section.
2. 2. Amusement rides designed primarily for children, where children are assisted on and off the ride by an adult, are not required to comply with this section.
3. 3. Amusement rides that do not provide seats that are built-in or mechanically fastened shall not be required to comply with this section.

1111.4.9 Recreational boating facilities.

Boat slips required to be *accessible* by [Sections 1111.4.9.1](#) and [1111.4.9.2](#) and boarding piers at boat launch ramps required to be *accessible* by [Section 1111.4.9.3](#) shall be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.9.1 Boat slips.

Accessible boat slips shall be provided in accordance with [Table 1111.4.9.1](#). All units on the site shall be combined to determine the number of *accessible* boat slips required. Where the number of boat slips is not identified, each 40 feet (12 m) of boat slip edge provided along the perimeter of the pier shall be counted as one boat slip for the purpose of this section.

Exception: Boat slips not designed for embarking or disembarking are not required to be *accessible* or be on an *accessible route*.

**TABLE 1111.4.9.1
Boat Slips**

Total Number of Boat Slips Provided	Minimum Number of Required Accessible Boat Slips
1 to 25	1
26 to 50	2
51 to 100	3
101 to 150	4
151 to 300	5
301 to 400	6

401 to 500	7
501 to 600	8
601 to 700	9
701 to 800	10
801 to 900	11
901 to 1,000	12
1,001 and over	12, plus 1 for every 100, or fraction thereof, over 1,000

1111.4.9.2 Dispersion.

Accessible boat slips shall be dispersed throughout the various types of boat slips provided. Where the minimum number of *accessible* boat slips has been met, further dispersion shall not be required.

1111.4.9.3 Boarding piers at boat launch ramps.

Where boarding piers are provided at boat launch ramps, at least 5 percent, but not less than one, of the boarding piers shall be *accessible*.

1111.4.10 Exercise machines and equipment.

At least one of each type of exercise machine and equipment shall be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.11 Fishing piers and platforms.

Fishing piers and platforms shall be *accessible* and be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.12 Miniature golf facilities.

Miniature golf facilities shall comply with [Sections 1111.4.12.1](#) through [1111.4.12.3](#).

1111.4.12.1 Minimum number.

At least 50 percent of holes on miniature golf courses shall be *accessible*.

1111.4.12.2 Miniature golf course configuration.

Miniature golf courses shall be configured so that the accessible holes are consecutive. Miniature golf courses shall provide an accessible route from the last *accessible* hole to the course entrance or exit without requiring travel through any other holes on the course.

Exception: One break in the sequence of consecutive holes shall be permitted provided that the last hole on the miniature golf course is the last hole in the sequence.

1111.4.12.3 Accessible route.

Holes required to comply with [Section 1111.4.12.1](#), including the start of play, shall be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.13 Play areas.

Play areas containing play components designed and constructed for children shall be located on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.14 Swimming pools, wading pools, cold baths, hot tubs and spas.

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Swimming pools, wading pools, **cold baths**, hot tubs and spas shall be *accessible* and be on an accessible route.

Exceptions:

1. Catch pools or a designated section of a pool used as a terminus for a water slide flume shall not be required to provide an *accessible* means of entry, provided that a portion of the catch pool edge is on an *accessible route*.
2. Where spas, **cold baths** or hot tubs are provided in a cluster, at least 5 percent, but not less than one of each type of spa, **cold bath** or hot tub in each cluster, shall be accessible and be on an *accessible route*.
3. *Swimming pools*, wading pools, spas, **cold baths** and hot tubs that are required to be *accessible* by [Sections 1111.2.2](#) and [1111.2.3](#) are not required to provide *accessible* means of entry into the water.

1111.4.14.1 Raised diving boards and diving platforms.

Raised diving boards and diving platforms are not required to be *accessible* or to be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.14.2 Water slides.

Water slides are not required to be *accessible* or to be on an *accessible route*.

1111.4.15 Shooting facilities with firing positions.

Where shooting facilities with firing positions are designed and constructed at a site, at least 5 percent, but not less than one, of each type of firing position shall be *accessible* and be on an *accessible route*.

Exception: Shooting facilities with firing positions on free-standing platforms that are elevated more than 12 feet (3660 mm) above grade, provided that the aggregate area of the elevated firing positions is not more than 500 square feet (46 m²), are not required to be accessible.

Section 1112 Signage

1112.1 Signs.

Required accessible elements shall be identified by the International Symbol of Accessibility at the following locations.

- 1.1. Accessible parking spaces required by [Section 1106.2](#).

Exception: Where the total number of parking spaces provided is four or less, identification of accessible parking spaces is not required.

- 2.2. Accessible parking spaces required by [Section 1106.3](#).

Exception: In Group I-1, R-2, R-3 and R-4 facilities, where parking spaces are assigned to specific *dwelling units* or *sleeping units*, identification of *accessible* parking spaces is not required.

- 3.3. Accessible passenger loading zones.

- 4.4. Accessible toilet or bathing rooms where not all toilet or bathing rooms are *accessible*.

- 5.5. Accessible entrances where not all entrances are *accessible*.

- 6.6. Accessible check-out aisles where not all aisles are *accessible*. The sign, where provided, shall be above the check-out aisle in the same location as the checkout aisle number or type of check-out identification.

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- 8.7. *Accessible* dressing, fitting and locker rooms where not all such rooms are *accessible*.
- 9.8. *Accessible areas of refuge* in accordance with [Section 1009.9](#).
10. 9. Exterior areas for assisted rescue in accordance with [Section 1009.9](#).
11. 10. In recreational facilities, lockers that are required to be *accessible* in accordance with [Section 1110.10](#).

1112.2 Signs identifying toilet or bathing rooms.

Signs required in [Section 403.4](#) of the *International Plumbing Code* identifying toilet rooms and bathing rooms shall be visual characters, raised characters and braille complying with [ICC A117.1](#). Where pictograms are provided as designations for toilet rooms and bathing rooms, the pictograms shall have visual characters, raised characters and braille complying with [ICC A117.1](#).

1112.3 Directional signage.

Directional signage indicating the route to the nearest like accessible element shall be provided at the following locations. These directional signs shall include the International Symbol of Accessibility and sign characters shall meet the visual character requirements in accordance with [ICC A117.1](#).

1. 1. Inaccessible building entrances.
2. 2. Inaccessible public toilets and bathing facilities.
3. 3. Elevators not serving an accessible route.
4. 4. At each separate-sex toilet and bathing room indicating the location of the nearest family/assisted use toilet or bathing room where provided in accordance with [Section 1110.2.1](#).
5. 5. At *exits* and *exit stairways* serving a required *accessible* space, but not providing an *approved* accessible means of egress, signage shall be provided in accordance with [Section 1009.10](#).
6. 6. Where drinking fountains for persons using wheelchairs and drinking fountains for standing persons are not located adjacent to each other, directional signage shall be provided indicating the location of the other drinking fountains.

1112.4 Other signs.

Signage indicating special accessibility provisions shall be provided as shown.

1. 1. Each assembly area required to comply with [Section 1109.2.7](#) shall provide a sign notifying patrons of the availability of assistive listening systems. The sign shall comply with [ICC A117.1](#) requirements for visual characters and include the International Symbol of Access for Hearing Loss.

Exception: Where ticket offices or windows are provided, signs are not required at each assembly area provided that signs are displayed at each ticket office or window informing patrons of the availability of assistive listening systems.

- 2.2. At each door to an *area of refuge* providing *direct access* to a *stairway*, exterior area for assisted rescue, *exit stairway*, *exit passageway* or *exit discharge*, signage shall be provided in accordance with [Section 1013.4](#).
- 3.3. At *areas of refuge*, signage shall be provided in accordance with [Section 1009.11](#).
- 4.4. At exterior areas for assisted rescue, signage shall be provided in accordance with [Section 1009.11](#).
- 5.5. At two-way communication systems, signage shall be provided in accordance with [Section 1009.8.2](#).
- 6.6. In *interior exit stairways* and *ramps*, floor level signage shall be provided in accordance with [Section 1023.9](#).
- 7.7. Signs identifying the type of access provided on amusement rides required to be *accessible* by [Section 1111.4.8](#) shall be provided at entries to queues and waiting lines. In addition, where accessible unload areas also serve as accessible load areas, signs indicating the location of the accessible load and unload areas shall be provided at entries to queues and waiting lines. These directional sign characters shall meet the visual character requirements in accordance with [ICC A117.1](#).

1112.5 Variable message signs.

Where provided in the locations in [Sections 1112.5.1](#) and [1112.5.2](#), variable message signs shall comply with the variable message sign requirements of [ICC A117.1](#).

1112.5.1 Transportation facilities.

Where provided in transportation facilities, variable message signs conveying transportation-related information shall comply with [Section 1112.5](#).

1112.5.2 Emergency shelters.

Where provided in buildings that are designated as emergency shelters, variable message signs conveying emergency-related information shall comply with [Section 1112.5](#).

Exception: Where equivalent information is provided in an audible manner, variable message signs are not required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#).

Appendix E

Supplementary Accessibility Requirements

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The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

User note:

About this appendix: *The Architectural and Transportation Barriers Compliance Board (U.S. Access Board) has revised and updated its accessibility guidelines for buildings and facilities covered by the Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) and the Architectural Barriers Act (ABA). Appendix E includes scoping requirements contained in the 2010 ADA Standards for Accessible Design that are not in [Chapter 11](#) and not otherwise mentioned or mainstreamed throughout the code. Items in this appendix address subjects not typically addressed in building codes (for example, beds, room signage, transportation facilities).*

Section E 101

General

E101.1 Scope.

The provisions of this appendix shall control the supplementary requirements for the design and construction of facilities for *accessibility* for individuals with disabilities.

E101.2 Design.

Technical requirements for items herein shall comply with this code and [ICC A117.1](#).

Section E 102

Definitions

E102.1 General.

The following words and terms shall, for the purposes of this appendix, have the meanings shown herein. Refer to [Chapter 2](#) of this code for general definitions.

CLOSED-CIRCUIT TELEPHONE. A telephone with a dedicated line such as a house phone, courtesy phone or phone that must be used to gain entrance to a facility.

MAILBOXES. Receptacles for the receipt of documents, packages, or other deliverable matter. *Mailboxes* include, but are not limited to, post office boxes and receptacles provided by commercial mail-receiving agencies, apartment houses and schools.

TRANSIENT LODGING. A building, facility, or portion thereof, excluding inpatient *medical care* facilities and long-term care facilities, that contains one or more *dwelling units* or *sleeping units*. Examples of *transient lodging* include, but are not limited to, resorts, *group homes*, hotels, motels, *dormitories*, homeless shelters, halfway houses, and social service lodging.

Section E 103 Accessible Route

E103.1 Raised platforms.

In banquet rooms or spaces where a head table or speaker's lectern is located on a raised platform, an *accessible* route shall be provided to the platform.

Section E 104 Special Occupancies

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E104.1 General.

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Transient lodging facilities shall be provided with accessible features in accordance with [Section E104.2](#). Group I-3 occupancies shall be provided with accessible features in accordance with [Section E104.2](#).

E104.2 Communication features.

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Accessible communication features shall be provided in accordance with [Sections E104.2.1](#) through [E104.2.4](#).

E104.2.1 Transient lodging.

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In *transient lodging* facilities, *sleeping units* with accessible communication features shall be provided in accordance with [Table E104.2.1](#). Units required to comply with [Table E104.2.1](#) shall be dispersed among the various classes of units.

**Table E 104.2.1
Dwelling or Sleeping Units with Accessible Communication Features**

TOTAL NUMBER OF DWELLING OR SLEEPING UNITS PROVIDED	MINIMUM REQUIRED NUMBER OF DWELLING OR SLEEPING UNITS WITH ACCESSIBLE COMMUNICATION FEATURES
1	1
2 to 25	2
26 to 50	4
51 to 75	7
76 to 100	9
101 to 150	12
151 to 200	14
201 to 300	17
301 to 400	20

401 to 500	22
501 to 1,000	5% of total
1,001 and over	50 plus 3 for each 100 over 1,000

E104.2.2 Group I-3.

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 In Group I-3 occupancies at least 2 percent of the total number of general holding *cells* and general housing *cells* equipped with **audible emergency notification systems, and not less than one cell, shall be provided with visual notification devices**. Permanently installed telephones within the cell **shall comply with [Section E104.2.4](#)**.

E104.2.3 Dwelling units and sleeping units.

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Where *dwelling units* and *sleeping units* are altered or added, the requirements of [Section E104.2](#) shall apply only to the units being altered or added until the number of units with accessible communication features complies with the minimum number required for new construction.

E104.2.4 Notification devices.

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Visual notification devices shall be provided to alert room occupants of incoming telephone calls and a door knock or bell. Notification devices shall not be connected to visual alarm signal appliances. Permanently installed telephones shall have volume controls and an electrical outlet complying with [ICC A117.1](#) located within 48 inches (1219 mm) of the telephone to facilitate the use of a TTY.

**Section E 105
 Other Features and Facilities**

E105.1 Portable toilets and bathing rooms.

Where multiple single-user portable toilet or bathing units are clustered at a single location, at least 5 percent, but not less than one toilet unit or bathing unit at each cluster, shall be *accessible*. Signs containing the International Symbol of Accessibility shall identify accessible portable toilets and bathing units.

Exception: Portable toilet units provided for use exclusively by construction personnel on a construction site.

E105.2 Laundry equipment.

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Where provided in spaces required to be *accessible*, washing machines and clothes dryers shall comply with this section.

E105.2.1 Washing machines.

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Where three or fewer washing machines are provided, one or more shall be *accessible*. Where more than three washing machines are provided, two or more shall be *accessible*.

E105.2.2 Clothes dryers.

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Where three or fewer clothes dryers are provided, one or more shall be *accessible*. Where more than three clothes dryers are provided, two or more shall be *accessible*.

E105.3 Gaming machines, depositories, vending machines, change machines and similar equipment.

Not fewer than one of each type of depository, vending machine, change machine and similar equipment shall be *accessible*. Two percent of gaming machines shall be *accessible* and provided with a front approach. *Accessible* gaming machines shall be distributed throughout the different types of gaming machines provided.

Exception: Drive-up-only depositories are not required to comply with this section.

E105.4 Mailboxes.

Where *mailboxes* are provided in an interior location, 5 percent of the total, but not less than one, of each type shall be *accessible*. In residential and institutional facilities, where *mailboxes* are provided for each *dwelling unit* or *sleeping unit*, *accessible mailboxes* shall be provided for each unit required to be an *Accessible unit*.

E105.5 Automatic teller machines and fare machines.

Where automatic teller machines or self-service fare vending, collection or adjustment machines are provided, not fewer than one machine of each type at each location where such machines are provided shall be *accessible*. Where bins are provided for envelopes, wastepaper or other purposes, not fewer than one of each type shall be *accessible*.

E105.6 Two-way communication systems.

Where two-way communication systems are provided to gain admittance to a building or facility or to restricted areas within a building or facility, the system shall be *accessible*.

Section E 106 Telephones

E106.1 General.

Where coin-operated public pay telephones, coinless public pay telephones, public *closed-circuit telephones*, courtesy phones or other types of public telephones are provided, accessible public telephones shall be provided in accordance with [Sections E106.2](#) through [E106.5](#) for each type of public telephone provided. For purposes of this section, a bank of telephones shall be considered to consist of two or more adjacent telephones.

E106.2 Wheelchair-accessible telephones.

Where public telephones are provided, wheelchair-accessible telephones shall be provided in accordance with [Table E106.2](#).

Exception: Drive-up-only public telephones are not required to be *accessible*.

**Table E 106.2
Wheelchair-Accessible Telephones**

NUMBER OF TELEPHONES PROVIDED ON A FLOOR, LEVEL OR EXTERIOR SITE	MINIMUM REQUIRED NUMBER OF WHEELCHAIR-ACCESSIBLE TELEPHONES
1 or more single unit	1 per floor, level and exterior site

1 bank	1 per floor, level and exterior site
2 or more banks	1 per bank

E106.3Volume controls.

All public telephones provided shall have accessible volume control.

E106.4TTYs.

TTYs shall be provided in accordance with [Sections E106.4.1](#) through [E106.4.9](#).

E106.4.1Bank requirement.

Where four or more public pay telephones are provided at a bank of telephones, at least one public TTY shall be provided at that bank.

Exception: TTYs are not required at banks of telephones located within 200 feet (60 960 mm) of, and on the same floor as, a bank containing a public TTY.

E106.4.2Floor requirement.

Where four or more public pay telephones are provided on a floor of a privately owned building, one or more public TTY shall be provided on that floor. Where one public pay telephone or more, is provided on a floor of a publicly owned building, not fewer than one public TTY shall be provided on that floor.

E106.4.3Building requirement.

Where four or more public pay telephones are provided in a privately owned building, one or more public TTY shall be provided in the building. Where at least one public pay telephone is provided in a publicly owned building, one or more public TTY shall be provided in the building.

E106.4.4Site requirement.

Where four or more public pay telephones are provided on a site, one or more public TTY shall be provided on the site.

E106.4.5 Rest stops, emergency road stops and service plazas.

Where a public pay telephone is provided at a public rest stop, emergency road stop or service plaza, at least one public TTY shall be provided.

E106.4.6 Hospitals.

Where a public pay telephone is provided in or adjacent to a hospital emergency room, hospital recovery room or hospital waiting room, one or more public TTY shall be provided at each such location.

E106.4.7 Transportation facilities.

Transportation facilities shall be provided with TTYs in accordance with [Sections E109.2.5](#) and [E110.2](#) in addition to the TTYs required by [Sections E106.4.1](#) through [E106.4.4](#).

E106.4.8 Detention and correctional facilities.

In detention and correctional facilities, where a public pay telephone is provided in a secured area used only by detainees or inmates and security personnel, then not fewer than one TTY shall be provided in not fewer than one secured area.

E106.4.9 Signs.

Public TTYs shall be identified by the International Symbol of TTY complying with [ICC A117.1](#). Directional signs indicating the location of the nearest public TTY shall be provided at banks of public pay telephones not containing a public TTY. Additionally, where signs provide direction to public pay telephones, they shall provide direction to public TTYs. Such signs shall comply with visual signage requirements in [ICC A117.1](#) and shall include the International Symbol of TTY.

E106.5 Shelves for portable TTYs.

Where a bank of telephones in the interior of a building consists of three or more public pay telephones, not fewer than one public pay telephone at the bank shall be provided with a shelf and an electrical outlet.

Exceptions:

1. In secured areas of detention and correctional facilities, if shelves and outlets are prohibited for purposes of security or safety shelves and outlets for TTYs are not required to be provided.
2. The shelf and electrical outlet shall not be required at a bank of telephones with a TTY.

Section E 107 Signage

E107.1 Signs.

Required accessible portable toilets and bathing facilities shall be identified by the International Symbol of Accessibility.

E107.2 Designations.

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Interior and exterior signs identifying permanent rooms and spaces shall be visual characters, raised characters and braille complying with [ICC A117.1](#). Where pictograms are provided as designations of interior rooms and spaces, the pictograms shall have visual characters, raised characters and braille complying with [ICC A117.1](#).

Exceptions:

1. Exterior signs that are not located at the door to the space they serve are not required to comply.
2. Building directories, menus, seat and row designations in assembly areas, occupant names, building addresses and company names and logos are not required to comply.
3. Signs in parking facilities are not required to comply.
4. Temporary (seven days or less) signs are not required to comply.
5. In detention and correctional facilities, signs not located in public areas are not required to comply.

E107.3 Directional and informational signs.

Signs that provide direction to, or information about, permanent interior spaces of the site and facilities shall contain visual characters complying with [ICC A117.1](#).

Exception: Building directories, personnel names, company or occupant names and logos, menus and temporary (seven days or less) signs are not required to comply with [ICC A117.1](#).

E107.4 Other signs.

Signage indicating special accessibility provisions shall be provided as follows:

1. At bus stops and terminals, signage must be provided in accordance with [Section E108.4](#).
2. At fixed facilities and stations, signage must be provided in accordance with [Sections E109.2.2](#) through [E109.2.2.3](#).
3. At airports, terminal information systems must be provided in accordance with [Section E110.3](#).

Section E 108 Bus Stops

E108.1General.

Bus stops shall comply with [Sections E108.2](#) through [E108.5](#).

E108.2Bus boarding and alighting areas.

Bus boarding and alighting areas shall comply with [Sections E108.2.1](#) through [E108.2.4](#).

E108.2.1Surface.

Bus boarding and alighting areas shall have a firm, stable surface.

E108.2.2Dimensions.

Bus boarding and alighting areas shall have a clear length of 96 inches (2440 mm) minimum, measured perpendicular to the curb or vehicle roadway edge, and a clear width of 60 inches (1525 mm) minimum, measured parallel to the vehicle roadway.

E108.2.3Connection.

Bus boarding and alighting areas shall be connected to streets, sidewalks or pedestrian paths by an *accessible route* complying with [Section 1104](#).

E108.2.4Slope.

Parallel to the roadway, the slope of the bus boarding and alighting area shall be the same as the roadway, to the maximum extent practicable. For water drainage, a maximum slope of 1:48 perpendicular to the roadway is allowed.

E108.3Bus shelters.

Where provided, new or replaced bus shelters shall provide a minimum clear floor or ground space complying with [ICC A117.1](#), [Section 305](#), entirely within the shelter. Such shelters shall be connected by an *accessible route* to the boarding area required by [Section E108.2](#).

E108.4Signs.

New bus route identification signs shall have finish and contrast complying with [ICC A117.1](#). Additionally, to the maximum extent practicable, new bus route identification signs shall provide visual characters complying with [ICC A117.1](#).

Exception: Bus schedules, timetables and maps that are posted at the bus stop or bus bay are not required to meet this requirement.

E108.5 Bus stop siting.

Bus stop sites shall be chosen such that, to the maximum extent practicable, the areas where lifts or *ramps* are to be deployed comply with [Sections E108.2](#) and [E108.3](#).

Section E 109

Transportation Facilities and Stations

E109.1 General.

Fixed transportation facilities and stations shall comply with the applicable provisions of [Section E109.2](#).

E109.2 New construction.

New stations in rapid rail, light rail, commuter rail, intercity rail, high speed rail and other fixed guideway systems shall comply with [Sections E109.2.1](#) through [E109.2.8](#).

E109.2.1 Station entrances.

Where different entrances to a station serve different transportation fixed routes or groups of fixed routes, at least one entrance serving each group or route shall comply with [Section 1104](#).

E109.2.2 Signs.

Signage in fixed transportation facilities and stations shall comply with [Sections E109.2.2.1](#) through [E109.2.2.3](#).

E109.2.2.1 Raised character and braille signs.

Where signs are provided at entrances to stations identifying the station or the entrance, or both, at least one sign at each entrance shall be raised characters and braille. A minimum of one raised character and braille sign identifying the specific station shall be provided on each platform or boarding area. Such signs shall be placed in uniform locations at entrances and on platforms or boarding areas within the transit system to the maximum extent practicable.

Exceptions:

1. 1. Where the station does not have a defined entrance but signs are provided, the raised characters and braille signs shall be placed in a central location.
2. 2. Signs are not required to be raised characters and braille where audible signs are remotely transmitted to hand-held receivers, or are user or proximity actuated.

E109.2.2.2 Identification signs.

Stations covered by this section shall have identification signs containing visual characters complying with [ICC A117.1](#). Signs shall be clearly visible and within the sightlines of a standing or sitting passenger from within the train on both sides when not obstructed by another train.

E109.2.2.3 Informational signs.

Lists of stations, routes and destinations served by the station that are located on boarding areas, platforms or *mezzanines* shall provide visual characters complying with [ICC A117.1](#). Signs covered by this provision shall, to the maximum extent practicable, be placed in uniform locations within the transit system.

E109.2.3 Fare machines.

Self-service fare vending, collection and adjustment machines shall comply with [ICC A117.1](#), Section 707. Where self-service fare vending, collection or adjustment machines are provided for the use of the general public, at least one accessible machine of each type provided shall be provided at each accessible point of entry and *exit*.

E109.2.4 Rail-to-platform height.

Station platforms shall be positioned to coordinate with vehicles in accordance with the applicable provisions of 36 CFR, Part 1192. Low-level platforms shall be 8 inches (250 mm) minimum above top of rail.

Exception: Where vehicles are boarded from sidewalks or street level, low-level platforms shall be permitted to be less than 8 inches (250 mm).

E109.2.5 TTYs.

Where a public pay telephone is provided in a transit facility (as defined by the Department of Transportation), at least one public TTY complying with [ICC A117.1, Section 704.4](#), shall be provided in the station. In addition, where one or more public pay telephones serve a particular entrance to a transportation facility, at least one TTY telephone complying with [ICC A117.1, Section 704.4](#), shall be provided to serve that entrance.

E109.2.6 Track crossings.

Where a *circulation path* serving boarding platforms crosses tracks, an *accessible* route shall be provided.

Exception: Openings for wheel flanges shall be permitted to be 2½ inches (64 mm) maximum.

E109.2.7 Public address systems.

Where public address systems convey audible information to the public, the same or equivalent information shall be provided in a visual format.

E109.2.8Clocks.

Where clocks are provided for use by the general public, the clock face shall be uncluttered so that its elements are clearly visible. Hands, numerals and digits shall contrast with the background either light-on-dark or dark-on-light. Where clocks are mounted overhead, numerals and digits shall comply with visual character requirements.

Section E 110 Airports

E110.1 New construction.

New construction of airports shall comply with [Sections E110.2](#) through [E110.4](#).

E110.2 TTYs.

Where public pay telephones are provided, at least one TTY shall be provided in compliance with [ICC A117.1, Section 704.4](#). Additionally, if four or more public pay telephones are located in a main terminal outside the security areas, a concourse within the security areas or a baggage claim area in a terminal, at least one public TTY complying with [ICC A117.1, Section 704.4](#), shall also be provided in each such location.

E110.3 Terminal information systems.

Where terminal information systems convey audible information to the public, the same or equivalent information shall be provided in a visual format.

E110.4 Clocks.

Where clocks are provided for use by the general public, the clock face shall be uncluttered so that its elements are clearly visible. Hands, numerals and digits shall contrast with the background either light-on-dark or dark-on-light. Where clocks are mounted overhead, numerals and digits shall comply with visual character requirements.

Section E 111 Referenced Standards

E111.1 General.

See [Table E111.1](#) for standards that are referenced in various sections of this appendix. Standards are listed by the standard identification with the effective date, standard title, and the section or sections of this appendix that reference the standard.

**Table E 111.1
Referenced Standards**

STANDARD ACRONYM	STANDARD NAME	SECTIONS HEREIN REFERENCED
DOJ 36 CFR Part 1192	<i>Americans with Disabilities Act (ADA) Accessibility Guidelines for Transportation Vehicles (ADAAG)</i> . Washington, DC: Department of Justice, 1991	E109.2.4
IBC 2021	<i>International Building Code</i>	E102.1
ICC A117.1-2017	<i>Accessible and Usable Buildings and Facilities</i>	E101.2 , E104.2.4 , E106.4.9 , E107.2 , E107.3 , E108.3 , E108.4 , E109.2.2.2 , E109.2.2.3 , E109.2.3 , E109.2.5 , E110.2

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Section 306

Accessibility for Existing Buildings

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306.1 Scope.

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The provisions of [Sections 306.1](#) through [306.7.16](#) apply to maintenance and *repair, change of occupancy, additions and alterations to existing buildings*, including those identified as *historic buildings*.

306.2 Design.

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Buildings and *facilities* shall be designed and constructed to be accessible in accordance with this code and the *alteration and existing building* provisions in [ICC A117.1](#), as applicable.

306.3 Maintenance and repair.

A *facility* that is constructed or altered to be accessible shall be maintained accessible during occupancy. Required accessible means of egress shall be maintained during construction, demolition, remodeling or *alterations and additions* to any occupied building.

Exception: Existing means of egress need not be maintained where *approved* temporary means of egress and accessible means of egress systems and *facilities* are provided.

306.3.1 Prohibited reduction in accessibility.

An *alteration* that decreases or has the effect of decreasing accessibility of a building, *facility* or element, thereof, below the requirements for new construction at the time of the *alteration* is prohibited. The number of accessible elements need not exceed that required for new construction at the time of *alteration*.

306.4 Extent of application.

An *alteration* of an existing *facility* shall not impose a requirement for greater accessibility than that which would be required for new *construction*.

306.5 Change of occupancy.

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Existing buildings that undergo a change of group or occupancy shall comply with [Section 306.7](#).

Exception: Type B dwelling or sleeping units required by [Section 1108](#) of the *International Building Code* are not required to be provided in *existing buildings* and *facilities* undergoing a *change of occupancy* in conjunction with *alterations* where the *work area* is 50 percent or less of the aggregate area of the building.

306.6 Additions.

Provisions for new construction shall apply to *additions*. An *addition* that affects the accessibility to, or contains an area of, a *primary function* shall comply with the requirements in [Section 306.7.1](#).

306.7 Alterations.

A *facility* that is altered shall comply with the applicable provisions in [Chapter 11](#) of the *International Building Code*, [ICC A117.1](#) and the provisions of [Sections 306.7.1](#) through [306.7.16](#), unless *technically infeasible*. Where compliance with this section is *technically infeasible*, the *alteration* shall provide access to the maximum extent technically feasible.

306.7.1 Alterations affecting an area containing a primary function.

Where an *alteration* affects the accessibility to, or contains an area of *primary function*, the route to the *primary function* area shall be accessible. The accessible route to the *primary function* area shall include toilet *facilities* and drinking fountains serving the area of *primary function*.

Exceptions:

1. The costs of providing the accessible route are not required to exceed 20 percent of the costs of the *alterations* affecting the area of *primary function*.
2. This provision does not apply to *alterations* limited solely to windows, hardware, operating controls, electrical outlets and signs.
3. This provision does not apply to *alterations* limited solely to mechanical systems, electrical systems, installation or *alteration* of fire protection systems and abatement of hazardous materials.
4. This provision does not apply to *alterations* undertaken for the primary purpose of increasing the accessibility of a *facility*.
5. This provision does not apply to altered areas limited to Type B dwelling and sleeping units.

306.7.2 Accessible means of egress.

Accessible means of egress required by [Chapter 10](#) of the *International Building Code* are not required to be added in *existing facilities*.

306.7.3 Alteration of Type A units.

The *alteration* to Type A individually owned dwelling units within a Group R-2 occupancy shall be permitted to meet the provision for a Type B dwelling unit.

306.7.4 Type B units.

Type B dwelling or sleeping units required by [Section 1108](#) of the International Building Code are not required to be provided in *existing buildings* and *facilities* undergoing *alterations* where the *work area* is 50 percent or less of the aggregate area of the building.

306.7.5 Entrances.

Where an *alteration* includes *alterations* to an entrance that is not accessible, and the *facility* has an accessible entrance, the altered entrance is not required to be accessible unless required by [Section 306.7.1](#). Signs complying with [Section 1112](#) of the *International Building Code* shall be provided.

306.7.6 Accessible route.

Exterior accessible routes, including curb ramps, shall be not less than 36 inches (914 mm) minimum in width.

306.7.7 Elevators.

Altered elements of existing elevators shall comply with [ASME A17.1](#). Such elements shall also be altered in elevators programmed to respond to the same hall call control as the altered elevator.

306.7.8 Platform lifts.

Platform (wheelchair) lifts *installed* in accordance with [ASME A18.1](#) shall be permitted as a component of an accessible route.

306.7.9 Stairways and escalators in existing buildings.

Where an escalator or stairway is added where none existed previously and major structural modifications are necessary for installation, an accessible route *complying* with [Section 1104.4](#) of the *International Building Code* is required between levels served by such escalator or stairway.

306.7.10 Determination of number of units.

Where [Chapter 11](#) of the *International Building Code* requires Accessible, Type A or Type B units and where such units are being altered or added, the number of Accessible, Type A and Type B units shall be determined in accordance with [Sections 306.7.10.1](#) through [306.7.10.3](#).

306.7.10.1 Accessible dwelling or sleeping units.

Where Group I-1, I-2, I-3, R-1, R-2 or R-4 dwelling or sleeping units are being altered or added, the requirements of [Section 1108](#) of the *International Building Code* for Accessible units apply only to the quantity of spaces being altered or added.

306.7.10.2 Type A dwelling or sleeping units.

Where more than 20 Group R-2 dwelling or sleeping units are being altered or added, the requirements of [Section 1108](#) of the *International Building Code* for Type A units apply only to the quantity of the spaces being altered or added.

306.7.10.3 Type B dwelling or sleeping units.

Where four or more Group I-1, I-2, R-1, R-2, R-3 or R-4 dwelling or sleeping units are being added, the requirements of [Section 1108](#) of the *International Building Code* for Type B units apply only to the quantity of the spaces being added. Where Group I-1, I-2, R-1, R-2, R-3 or R-4 dwelling or sleeping units are being altered and where the *work area* is greater than 50 percent of the aggregate area of the building, the requirements of [Section 1108](#) of the *International Building Code* for Type B units apply only to the quantity of the spaces being altered.

306.7.11 Toilet rooms.

Where it is *technically infeasible* to alter existing toilet rooms to be accessible, [one accessible single-user toilet room](#) or [one accessible family or assisted-use toilet room](#) constructed in accordance with [Section 1110.2.1](#) of the *International Building Code* is permitted. [This](#) toilet room shall be located on the same floor and in the same area as the existing toilet rooms. At the inaccessible toilet rooms, directional signs indicating the location of the nearest [such](#) toilet room shall be provided. These directional signs shall include the International Symbol of Accessibility, and sign characters shall meet the visual character requirements in accordance with [ICC A117.1](#).

306.7.12 Bathing rooms.

Where it is *technically infeasible* to alter existing bathing rooms to be accessible, [one accessible single-user bathing room](#) or [one accessible family or assisted-use bathing room](#) constructed in accordance with [Section 1110.2.1](#) of the *International Building Code* is permitted. [This](#) accessible bathing room shall be located on the same floor and in the same area as the existing bathing rooms. At the

inaccessible bathing rooms, directional signs indicating the location of the nearest such bathing room shall be provided. These directional signs shall include the International Symbol of Accessibility, and sign characters shall meet the visual character requirements in accordance with [ICC A117.1](#).

306.7.13 Additional toilet and bathing facilities.

In assembly and mercantile occupancies, where additional toilet fixtures are added, not fewer than one accessible family or assisted-use toilet room shall be provided where required by [Section 1110.2.1](#) of the *International Building Code*. In recreational facilities, where additional bathing rooms are being added, not fewer than one family or assisted-use bathing room shall be provided where required by [Section 1110.2.1](#) of the *International Building Code*.

306.7.14 Dressing, fitting and locker rooms.

Where it is *technically infeasible* to provide accessible dressing, fitting or locker rooms at the same location as similar types of rooms, one accessible room on the same level shall be provided. Where separate-sex facilities are provided, accessible rooms for each sex shall be provided. Separate-sex facilities are not required where only unisex rooms are provided.

306.7.15 Amusement rides.

Where the structural or operational characteristics of an amusement ride are altered to the extent that the amusement ride's performance differs from that specified by the manufacturer or the original design, the amusement ride shall comply with requirements for new construction in [Section 1111.4.8](#) of the *International Building Code*.

306.7.16 Historic structures.

Where compliance with the requirements for accessible routes, entrances or toilet rooms would threaten or destroy the historic significance of the historic structure, as determined by the authority having jurisdiction, the alternative requirements of [Sections 306.7.16.1](#) through [306.7.16.5](#) for that element shall be permitted.

Exceptions:

1. Accessible means of egress required by [Chapter 10](#) of the *International Building Code* are not required to be provided in historic structures.
2. The altered element or space is not required to be on an accessible route, unless required by [Sections 306.7.16.1](#) or [306.7.16.2](#).

306.7.16.1 Site arrival points.

Not fewer than one [exterior](#) accessible route, [including curb ramps](#) from a site arrival point to an accessible entrance, shall be provided [and shall not be less than 36 inches \(914 mm\) minimum in width](#).

306.7.16.2 Multiple-level buildings and facilities.

[P](#) An accessible route from an accessible entrance to public spaces on the level of the accessible entrance shall be provided.

306.7.16.3 Entrances.

[Where an](#) entrance cannot be made accessible [in accordance with Section 306.7.5](#), an accessible entrance that is unlocked while the building is occupied shall be provided; or, a locked accessible entrance with a notification system or remote monitoring shall be provided.

Signs complying with [Section 1112](#) of the *International Building Code* shall be provided at the public [entrances](#) and the accessible entrance.

306.7.16.4 Toilet facilities .

[P](#) Where toilet rooms are provided, not fewer than one accessible [single-user toilet room](#) or one accessible family or assisted-use toilet room complying with [Section 1110.2.1](#) of the *International Building Code* shall be provided.

306.7.16.5 Bathing facilities.

[P](#) Where bathing rooms are provided, not fewer than one accessible [single-user bathing room](#) or one accessible family or assisted-use bathing rooms complying with [Section 1110.2.1](#) of the *International Building Code* shall be provided.

306.7.16.6 Type A units.

The *alteration* to Type A individually owned dwelling units within a Group R-2 occupancy shall be permitted to meet the provision for a Type B dwelling unit.

306.7.16.7 Type B units.

Type B dwelling or sleeping units required by [Section 1108](#) of the *International Building Code* are not required to be provided in *historic buildings*.

1101.2 Creation or extension of nonconformity.

An *addition* shall not create or extend any nonconformity in the *existing building* to which the *addition* is being made with regard to accessibility, structural strength, fire safety, means of egress or the capacity of mechanical, plumbing or electrical systems.

Section 1508 Accessibility

[BE]1508.1 Construction sites.

Structures, sites, and equipment directly associated with the actual process of construction, including, but not limited to, scaffolding, bridging, material hoists, material storage or construction trailers, are not required to be accessible.

Appendix B Supplementary Accessibility Requirements For Existing Buildings and Facilities

The provisions contained in this appendix are not mandatory unless specifically referenced in the adopting ordinance.

User note:

About this appendix: [Chapter 11](#) of the International Building Code® contains provisions that set forth requirements for accessibility to buildings and their associated sites and facilities for people with physical disabilities. [Sections 306 and 1508](#) in the code address accessibility provisions and alternatives permitted in existing buildings. Appendix B was added to address accessibility in construction for items that are not typically enforceable through the traditional building code enforcement process.

Section B 101 Qualified Historic Buildings and Facilities

[BE]B101.1 General.

Qualified *historic buildings* and *facilities* shall comply with [Sections B101.2](#) through [B101.5](#).

[BE]B101.2 Qualified historic buildings and facilities.

These procedures shall apply to buildings and *facilities* designated as historic structures that undergo *alterations* or a *change of occupancy*.

[BE]B101.3 Qualified historic buildings and facilities subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Where an *alteration* or *change of occupancy* is undertaken to a qualified *historic building* or *facility* that is subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, the federal agency with jurisdiction over the undertaking shall follow the Section 106 process. Where the state historic preservation officer or Advisory Council on Historic Preservation determines that compliance with the requirements for accessible routes, ramps, entrances, or toilet *facilities* would threaten or destroy the historic significance of the building or *facility*, the alternative requirements of [Section 306.7.16](#) for that element are permitted.

[BE]B101.4 Qualified historic buildings and facilities not subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act.

Where an *alteration* or *change of occupancy* is undertaken to a qualified *historic building* or *facility* that is not subject to Section 106 of the National Historic Preservation Act, and the entity undertaking the *alterations* believes that compliance with the requirements for accessible routes, ramps, entrances or toilet *facilities* would threaten or destroy the historic significance of the building or *facility*, the entity shall consult with the state historic preservation officer. Where the state historic preservation officer determines that compliance with the accessibility requirements for accessible routes, ramps, entrances or toilet *facilities* would threaten or destroy the historical significance of the building or *facility*, the alternative requirements of [Section 306.7.16](#) for that element are permitted.

[BE]B101.4.1 Consultation with interested persons.

Interested persons shall be invited to participate in the consultation process, including state or local accessibility officials, individuals with disabilities, and organizations representing individuals with disabilities.

[BE]B101.4.2 Certified local government historic preservation programs.

Where the state historic preservation officer has delegated the consultation responsibility for purposes of this section to a local government historic preservation program that has been certified in accordance with Section 101 of the National Historic Preservation Act of 1966 [(16 U.S.C. 470a(c))] and implementing regulations (36 CFR 61.5), the responsibility shall be permitted to be carried out by the appropriate local government body or official.

[BE]B101.5 Displays.

In qualified *historic buildings* and *facilities* where alternative requirements of [Section 306.7.16](#) are permitted, displays and written information shall be located where they can be seen by a seated person. Exhibits and signs displayed horizontally shall be 44 inches (1120 mm) maximum above the floor.

**Section B 102
Fixed Transportation Facilities and Stations**

[BE]B102.1General.

Existing fixed transportation *facilities* and stations shall comply with [Section B102.2](#).

[BE]B102.2Existing facilities—key stations.

Rapid rail, light rail, commuter rail, intercity rail, high-speed rail and other fixed guideway systems, altered stations, and intercity rail and key stations, as defined under criteria established by the Department of Transportation in Subpart C of 49 CFR Part 37, shall comply with [Sections B102.2.1](#) through [B102.2.3](#).

[BE]B102.2.1Accessible route.

One accessible route, or more, from an accessible entrance to those areas necessary for use of the transportation system shall be provided. The accessible route shall include the features specified in [Section E109.2](#) of the *International Building Code*, except that escalators shall comply with [Section 3004.2.2](#) of the *International Building Code*. Where technical unfeasibility in existing stations requires the accessible route to lead from the public way to a paid area of the transit system, an accessible fare collection machine complying with [Section E109.2.3](#) of the *International Building Code* shall be provided along such accessible route.

[BE]B102.2.2Platform and vehicle floor coordination.

Station platforms shall be positioned to coordinate with vehicles in accordance with applicable provisions of 36 CFR Part 1192. Low-level platforms shall be 8 inches (250 mm) minimum above top of rail.

Exception: Where vehicles are boarded from sidewalks or street-level, low-level platforms shall be permitted to be less than 8 inches (250 mm).

[BE]B102.2.3Direct connections.

New direct connections to commercial, retail or residential *facilities* shall, to the maximum extent feasible, have an accessible route complying with [Section 306.7.1](#) from the point of connection to boarding platforms and transportation system elements used by the public. Any elements provided to facilitate future direct connections shall be on an accessible route connecting boarding platforms and transportation system elements used by the public.

Section B 103 Dwelling Units and Sleeping Units

[BE]B103.1Communication features.

Where dwelling units and sleeping units are altered or added, the requirements of [Section E104.2](#) of the *International Building Code* shall apply only to the units being altered or added until the number of units with accessible communication features complies with the minimum number required for new construction.

SECTION B 104 Referenced Standards

[BE]B104.1General.

See [Table B104.1](#) for standards that are referenced in various sections of this appendix. Standards are listed by the standard identification with the effective date, standard title, and the section or sections of this appendix that reference the standard.

**[Be]Table B 104.1
Referenced Standards**

Standard Acronym	Standard Name	Sections Herein Referenced
Y3.H626 2P	<i>National Historic Preservation J101.2, 43/933 Act of 1966 as amended J101.3, 3rd Edition</i>	B101.3 , B101.4 , B101.4.2
IBC—21	<i>International Building Code®</i>	B102.2.1 , B103.1
36 CFR Part 1192	<i>Americans with Disabilities Act Guidelines for Transportation Vehicles—Rapid Rail Vehicles and Systems</i>	B102.2.2
49 CFR Part 37 Subpart C	<i>Alteration of Transportation Facilities by Public Entities Department of Transportation</i>	B102.2

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307.1.4 Accessibility.

An accessible route to public pools and spas shall be provided in accordance with the [International Building Code](#). Accessibility within public pools and spas shall be provided as required by the accessible recreational facilities provisions of the [International Building Code](#). Pool and spa lifts providing an accessible means of entry into the water shall be *listed* and labeled in accordance with [UL 60335-2-1000](#) and be installed in accordance with [ICC A117.1](#) and [NFPA 70](#).

International Plumbing Code, 2021 edition

403.4 Signage.

Required *public* facilities shall be provided with signs that designate the sex, as required by [Section 403.2](#). Signs shall be readily visible and located near the entrance to each toilet facility. Signs for accessible toilet facilities shall comply with [Section 1111](#) of the *International Building Code*.

403.4.1 Directional signage.

Directional signage indicating the route to the required *public* toilet facilities shall be posted in a lobby, corridor, aisle or similar space, such that the sign can be readily seen from the main entrance to the building or tenant space.

403.5 Drinking fountain location.

Drinking fountains shall not be required to be located in individual tenant spaces provided that *public* drinking fountains are located within a distance of travel of 500 feet (152 m) of the most remote location in the tenant space and not more than one story above or below the tenant space. Where the tenant space is in a [covered or open mall](#), such distance shall not exceed 300 feet (91 m).

2021 Accessibility Codes Implementation Date Moved Up

The implementation date of the accessibility provisions of the 2021 ICC family of codes formerly reported to be January 1, 2022, has been moved up to December 25, 2021. The accessibility provisions include:

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403.4 – Signage

403.5 – Drinking Fountain Locations
404 – Accessible Plumbing Facilities

405.3.1 – Water Closets, Urinals, Lavatories and Bidets

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307.1.4 – Accessibility

International Existing Building Code, 2021 edition

306 – Accessibility

1101.2 – Creation or Extension of Nonconformity

1508 – Accessibility

Appendix B – Supplementary Accessibility Requirements for Existing Buildings & Facilities