Dining/Lounge Area

2801. Facility Accommodations and Floor Area (II)

A. The facility shall provide a decorative, homelike, and comfortable environment that shall include, but not be limited to, pictures, books, magazines, clocks, plants, current calendars, stereos, television, and appropriate holiday or seasonal decorations. Consideration shall be given to the preferences of the residents in determining an appropriate homelike atmosphere in resident rooms and activity and dining areas.

B. There shall be sufficient living arrangements providing for residents’ quiet reading, study, relaxation, entertainment, or recreation, to include living, dining, and recreational areas available for residents’ use.

C. At least thirty (30) square feet per licensed bed shall be provided for resident dining and recreation.

H. Toilets shall be provided for meal service staff and shall be located at, or near, the kitchen. The doors of all restrooms located at, or near, the kitchen shall be self‐closing. These restrooms shall be located within the same building.

2810. Meal Service Operations

A. Meal service operations shall be separated from living and sleeping quarters by complete, ceiling-high walls, and a minimum one and three-quarter (1 3/4) inch solid wood core, self‐closing doors with positive latching hardware. As an exception, doors and partitions are not required if the open kitchen area is protected by an automatic sprinkler system that provides a deluge type “water curtain,” based on the spacing and design requirements of NFPA 13, around the entire open space and as approved by the Department.

B. All kitchen areas shall be adequately ventilated to protect from excessive heat, steam, condensation, vapors, smoke, and fumes.

New Construction of Dining/Lounge Area

Summary: Home-like Environment; Square Feet per Resident; Meal Service