Housekeeping/Laundry/Maintenance

9.7.d. A nursing home shall establish and implement a maintenance program that assures that:

9.7.d.1. All equipment is operable;

9.7.d.2. The interior and exterior of the building is safe; and

9.7.d.3. The grounds are maintained in a presentable condition free from rubbish and other health hazards of a similar nature.

9.7.e. A nursing home shall establish and implement a housekeeping program and services that assures a clean, sanitary environment.

9.7.f. A nursing home shall provide a comfortable, home-like environment for residents.

9.7.g. A nursing home shall be kept free of insects, rodents and vermin by an effective pest control program. Insecticidal strips are prohibited.

9.7.h. Pesticides shall be applied only by an applicator certified by the United States Department of Agriculture.

9.7.i. A nursing home shall have sufficient supplies for housekeeping and maintenance properly stored and conveniently located to permit frequent cleaning of floors, walls, woodwork, windows, and screens, and to facilitate building and grounds maintenance.


9.8.a. A nursing home shall have procedures and contracts for disposing of bio-hazardous waste.

9.8.a.1. Chain of custody receipts and forms shall be maintained by the nursing home for one (1) year.

9.8.b. A nursing home shall have procedures for disposing of non-hazardous medical waste and similar waste that is not considered hazardous in a safe sanitary manner.

9.8.c. Solid waste, including garbage and refuse, shall be removed from the building daily or more often as necessary.

9.8.d. All garbage and refuse shall be stored in durable, covered, leak-proof and vermin-proof containers or dumpsters.

9.8.d.1 The containers and dumpsters shall be kept clean of all residue accumulation.

9.8.e. All garbage and refuse shall be disposed of in accordance with the applicable provisions of state and local law and rules governing the management of garbage and refuse.
9.11.o. A nursing home shall provide an area of sufficient space to hold the congregate population of the nursing home with a heat source that is supplied with emergency electrical power from the emergency power source.

Corridors, Floors, and Signage

Lighting, Noise, Temperature (HVAC), and Odors


9.9.a. A nursing home shall have a water supply that is safe and of sufficient capacity to meet the residents' needs and the requirements of the sprinkler system.

9.9.b. A nursing home shall have as its source of water a public water system that complies with West Virginia Division of Health Rules, Public Water Systems, 64CSR3, or a water well that complies with West Virginia Division of Health Rules, Water Well Regulations, 64CSR19 and Water Well Design Standards, 64CSR46.

9.9.c. A nursing home shall have hot and cold running water in sufficient supply to meet the needs of the residents.

9.9.d. Hot water distribution systems serving resident care areas shall be recirculating to provide continuous hot water at each hot water outlet.

9.9.d.1. The temperatures shall be appropriate for comfortable use but shall not exceed 110 degrees.

9.9.e. A nursing home shall have written agreements with water suppliers to deliver water when there is a loss of the normal supply.

9.10. Sewage Disposal.

9.10.a. Sewage disposal shall be in accordance with West Virginia Division of Health Rules, Sewage System Rules, and West Virginia Division of Health Rules, Sewage Treatment and Collection System Design Standards, 64CSR47.

9.10.b. The sewage system shall be adequate to meet the nursing home’s needs.

9.10.c. Sewage systems shall be kept in good working order and shall be properly operated and maintained.

Amenities

9.11.n. A nursing home shall have at least one non-coin operated telephone or one extension on each resident occupied unit and additional telephones and extensions if needed to summon help in case of an emergency.

Outdoor Area
New Construction: Facility-Wide

9.2.e. Accessibility and transportation to the site and the nursing home shall be facilitated by paved, hard surfaced, all weather roads which are kept passable at all times.

9.2.e.1. The road shall connect directly to a paved hard surface highway.

9.2.e.2. Grades to all sites shall permit access for emergency vehicles and fire fighting equipment in all weather conditions.

9.2.f. Parking areas shall be sufficient according to the guidelines set by the American Institute of Architects.

9.2.g. Hard surface walks, a minimum of forty-eight (48) inches wide with a slip resistant surface, shall be provided at all entries and exits and connect into the main walk or parking area.

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