Resident Bedroom

(1) Resident rooms. Each resident room shall meet the following requirements.

(A) Each room shall accommodate not more than four residents.

(B) The minimum room area, exclusive of toilet rooms, closets, lockers, wardrobes, other built-in fixed items, alcoves, and vestibules, shall measure 100 square feet in one-bed rooms and 80 square feet per bed in multi-bed rooms. Facilities licensed before January, 1963 shall provide a minimum floor area per bed as follows:
   (i) One-bed rooms, 90 square feet per bed;
   (ii) two-bed rooms, 80 square feet per bed; and
   (iii) three- to four-bed rooms, 70 square feet per bed.

(C) Each resident room shall have direct access to a corridor.

(D) Each bed in a multi-bed room shall have ceiling-suspended curtains that extend around the bed to provide total visual privacy in combination with adjacent walls and curtains.

(E) Curtain material shall be launderable and flame retardant.

(F) Each resident room shall have at least one window that opens for ventilation. The window area shall not be less than 12 percent of the gross floor area of the resident room. Interior window stool height shall not exceed three feet above the floor and shall be at least two feet six inches above exterior grade. Facilities constructed before February 15, 1977 shall not be required to comply with this paragraph.

(G) Each resident room shall have a floor at or above grade level. Any facility constructed before the effective date of these regulations shall not be required to comply with this paragraph.

(H) Room configuration shall be adequate to permit the beds to align parallel to the exterior wall with a minimum of three feet of clearance from the sides and foot of the beds to the nearest fixed obstruction. The room configuration shall be designed so that beds are not located more than two deep from the exterior window wall. Any facility constructed before February 15, 1977 shall not be required to meet the specifications in this paragraph.

(I) Each resident room shall have a separate bed for each resident. The bed shall be of appropriate size and height and shall contain the following:
   (i) A clean, comfortable mattress; and
   (ii) bedding appropriate to the weather and needs of the resident.

(J) Each resident room shall have functional furniture appropriate to the resident’s needs.

(K) The facility shall provide an individual space in a fixed closet or wardrobe with doors for each bed. Closets shall have, for each bed, a minimum floor area of five square feet, a minimum depth of one foot 10 inches, and a separated shelf and hanging rod of not less than two feet six inches. At least one foot three inches of the hanging rod shall have sufficient clearance for full-length
garments. The hanging rods and shelves shall be accessible to the resident. Facilities constructed before February 15, 1977 shall provide a fixed closet or wardrobe with a shelf and hanging rod accessible to residents.

(3) Each resident room in any facility constructed after February 15, 1977 shall not be located more than 150 feet from the nursing service areas required by subsection (c) of this regulation. Distance shall be measured from one foot outside the resident room door along the shortest line, in the general corridor where the resident room appears, to within one foot of the designated service area.

(i) Each resident bedroom shall have at least one duplex-grounding type receptacle on each side of the head of each bed and another duplex-grounding type receptacle on another wall. A television convenience outlet shall be located on at least one wall.

**Toilet Area**

(2) Toilet facility. A toilet room shall serve not more than four beds and shall be accessible without entry from the general corridor. A toilet room shall contain a toilet and a lavatory, unless a lavatory is provided in each resident room.

(A) The minimum area of a toilet room serving a resident room shall be 30 square feet with sufficient turning radius for a wheelchair.

(B) If a bathing unit is included, the facility shall provide additional space. Space occupied by the bathing unit shall not be included in the minimum dimensions stated in this regulation.

(C) Any facility constructed before February 15, 1977 shall provide the resident with access to toilet and bathing facilities from the general corridor or shall provide direct access from the resident room to toilet and bathing facilities.

(2) The doors to each bathing and toileting room with direct access from a resident bedroom shall be capable of opening outward or shall be designed to allow ingress to the room without pushing against a resident who may have collapsed in the room.

(4) Each door to resident toilet rooms and other rooms needing access for wheelchairs shall have a minimum width of three feet.

(12) The facility shall provide grab bars at all residents' toilets, showers, tubs, and sitz baths.

(A) The bars shall have 1 ½ inches clearance to walls and shall have sufficient strength and anchorage to sustain a concentrated load of 250 pounds.

(B) Ends of grab bars shall be returned to the wall at each termination.

(13) If soap dishes are provided in showers and bathrooms, they shall be recessed.

(4) Wastebaskets shall be located at all lavatories.

**New Construction: Room and Bath**

**Summary:** Minimum Room Size (Date-Specific); Room Capacity (Date-Specific); Space Between Beds; Room Location; Privacy Curtains; Minimum Furnishings Specified; Flame-Retardant Window Coverings; Storage; Toilet Room Capacity; Toilet Room Size; Grab Bars