

Residential Care Facilities (Group R-3.1) Inspection Checklist

(Group R-3.1 = Six or less clients, regardless of ambulatory status, or licensing agency)

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1. Minimum Construction: Non-rated up to 3 stories. CBC Table 503. (Must be Type V 1-hour in facilities housing clients above the first floor, more than 2 stories in height or having more than 3,000 sq. feet floor area above the first floor). CBC Section 425.3.2. In facilities housing a bedridden client, the client sleeping room shall not be located above or below the first floor. 425.3.2. Exception: <i>Clients who are temporarily bedridden for up to 14 days as per H&S Code 1566.45</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
2. Smoke Barriers: Not required.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
3. Automatic Sprinklers: a. Not required unless housing bedridden clients or housing non-ambulatory clients above the first floor or housing clients above the second floor. CBC 903.2.8. b. Not required if housing only one bedridden client and complying with Section 425.8.3.3. CBC. c. An NFPA 13D system is required in new buildings where building permits and construction took place after January 1, 2011. CRC R313.3.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
4. Smoke Alarms: a. Required in all habitable areas of the facility including stairwells, except kitchens. CBC Section 907.2.11.2. b. In all facilities housing any bedridden clients, smoke alarms shall receive their Primary power from the building wiring and shall be equipped with battery backup. Alarms shall be interconnected so that they all sound upon actuation of a single smoke alarm. They are not required to be interconnected to a control panel. CBC Section 907.2.11.2.2.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Carbon Monoxide Alarms: 1. Required in all new dwellings built after January 1, 2011. CBC 420.4.1. 2. May be required by building or fire officials for existing dwellings after July 1, 2011. H&S Code 17926.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
5. Fire Alarm: Not required.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
6. Strobes: Required in protective care facilities that house any deaf patient. Strobes shall activate upon initiation of any smoke alarm. CBC Section 907.5.2.3.5.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
7. Exits: Minimum of two exits are required. CBC Section 425.8.2.1.	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
8. Corridor Construction: Non-rated. CBC 1018.1	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
9. Corridor Width: Shall be 36 inches on floors housing clients. CBC Section 425.8.4.2 and 1018.2	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
10. Intervening Rooms: Means of egress shall not pass through more than one intervening room. A means of egress shall not pass through kitchens, storerooms, closets, garages or spaces used for similar purposes. CBC Section 425.8.3.4. Exception: <i>Kitchens that do not form separate rooms by construction.</i>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
11. Exit Access: a. Sleeping rooms used for non-ambulatory clients shall have access to one of the following exit arrangements: (Given in order of preference) 1. Direct exit from the sleeping rooms to the exterior. The exit shall have a door at least 3 feet in width and not less than 6 feet 8 inches in height. Door shall be capable of opening at least	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>

	<p>90 degrees and shall provide at least 32 inches of clear width.</p> <p>2. From sleeping room through an adjoining sleeping room with direct exit.</p> <p>3. From sleeping room through the hallway serving the sleeping and which has an exit directly to the outside. The hallway shall be separated from the rest of the house by a wall and a 1-3/8" self-closing, solid wood door. The door can be automatic closing by actuation of a smoke detector installed in accordance with Section 715.4.8.</p> <p>4. From sleeping room through the hallway into another sleeping room that has an exit directly to the outside. The hallway shall be separated from the rest of the house by a wall and a 1-3/8" self-closing, solid wood door. The door can be automatic closing by actuation of a smoke detector. CBC Section 425.8.3.2.</p> <p>b. Sleeping rooms used for occupancies housing only one bedridden client shall meet all of the following requirements:</p> <p>1. Sleeping room for the bedridden client shall exit directly to the exterior of the building.</p> <p>2. Interior doors to sleeping room shall be a self-closing, positive latching 1-3/8" solid wood Door provided with a gasket to be smoke-tight. The door can be automatic closing by actuation of a smoke alarm.</p> <p>3. Doors from sleeping rooms leading to an interior corridor or interior areas shall not have a night-latch, dead-bolt, security chain, or any similar locking devices.</p> <p>4. The exterior sleeping room door shall be operable from both the interior and exterior of the residence.</p> <p>5. Exterior sleeping room doors shall be at least 3 foot wide and 6 feet 8 inches high with a clear width of 32" and capable of opening at least 90 degrees. CBC Section 425.8.3.3.</p> <p>Note: A sliding glass door can be used as the exterior exit door if it is operable from inside and outside and clear width of exit way is at least 32 inches.</p> <p>If facility wants to house more than one bedridden, they have to provide sprinklers and only comply with exiting requirements for non-ambulatory.</p>			
12.	<p>Floor Separation:</p> <p>a. Floor separations shall be provided with non-rated smoke partition to prevent smoke travel between floors. Such partitions shall have construction equal to ½ " gypsum board on one side of wall framing. CBC Section 425.8.7</p> <p>Exceptions:</p> <p>1. <i>Occupancies with at least one exterior exit from floor occupied by patients.</i></p> <p>2. <i>Occupancies provided with automatic fire sprinkler systems.</i></p> <p>b. Door openings in floor separations shall be protected by 1-3/8 inch solid wood core doors which shall be positive latching, smoke gasketed and self-closing or automatic closing by activation of a smoke detector. CBC Section 425.8.7.1.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
13.	<p>Delayed Egress:</p> <p>Allowed if facility meets all requirements of CBC Section 1008.1.9.7.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
14.	<p>Exit Signs:</p> <p>Not required. CBC Section 1011.1, Exception #3</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
15.	<p>Tactile Exit Signs:</p> <p>Not Required.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
16.	<p>Emergency Lighting:</p> <p>Not required. CBC Section 1006.1, Exception #3</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
17.	<p>Fire Extinguishers:</p> <p>Required. CBC Section 906.1, Item #1</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>
18.	<p>Exit ramps:</p> <p>Required in facilities housing non-ambulatory clients when changes in level exceed ½ inches. CBC Section 425.8.5.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>