



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

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| Date Issued | 12-05-02 | Interpretation # | 02-050 |
| Topic | Door Width in Group R, Division 2 Occupancies | | |
| Code Section(s) | Section 1003.3.1.3, California Building Code (1998 ed) | | |
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Is it the intent of Section 1003.3.1.3 to require that the net unobstructed door width, WITH NO EXCEPTIONS, be no less than 32" through bedroom doors on an existing Group R, Division 3 occupancy being converted for use as a Group R, Division 2.2.1 facility?

No. Section 1003.3.1.3 is specific to occupancies serving 10 or more clients. An existing Group R, Division 3 being converted to a Group R, Division 2.2.1 does not fall into this criteria and can have exit doors with a clear exit width of 28 inches as the clients will all be ambulatory.