



California State Fire Marshal **CODE INTERPRETATION**

Date Issued	November 29, 2017	Interpretation	17-004
Topic	Determining Non-Ambulatory Status for R-2.1 classification		
Code Section(s)	2016 CBC §310, §310.41		
Requested by	Douglas Pancake, AIA		
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Question 1:

Is the R-2.1 Building Occupancy Classification, RCFE, the appropriate Occupancy Classification for the housing and care of more than six non-ambulatory and/or bedridden individuals including those suffering with dementia associated with Alzheimer's Disease, age related senility or similar disorders?

Yes, this may be the appropriate occupancy based on the medical care or personal care being provided and the number of bedridden clients. The level of care that is needed shall be determined by the Director of Social Services.

Health and Safety Code 13131

The determination of ambulatory or non-ambulatory status of persons with developmental disabilities shall be made by the Director of Social Services or his or her designated representative, in consultation with the Director of Developmental Services or his or her designated representative. The determination of ambulatory or non-ambulatory status of all other disabled persons placed after January 1, 1984, who are not developmentally disabled shall be made by the Director of Social Services, or his or her designated representative.