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Topic: Exiting Requirements for a Large Family Daycare

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Section 1015.7

California Fire Code states that: “Every story or basement of a large-family day-care home shall be provided with two exits which are remotely located from each other.”

Is it the intent of the code to prohibit large-family day-cares in residential homes where the second story does not have two exits – even though day-care activities are limited to the first story?

No. If the daycare function is restricted to the first floor, then two exterior exits from the second floor are not required.