

TABLE I - GENERAL STANDARDS

NOTE: All nursing homes designed and constructed prior to November 2004 shall be in compliance with the requirements of Tables I,II,III as indicated by the tiered dates below. However, those requirements identified with an "Asterisk" are exempted from compliance. See Chapter 59A-4.133 (12) Florida Administrative Code

	(1)	(2)
	<p>Each nursing unit shall include: resident bedrooms, toilet rooms, bathing facilities, a nursing station, a clean utility room, a soiled utility room, a medication preparation room, a nourishment room, a janitor's closet, an equipment storage room, a stretcher and wheelchair alcove, a clean linen closet, and a nurses' toilet with lavatory.</p> <p>See Note 1</p>	<p>The maximum number of residents per nursing unit when care is being provided to skilled care residents shall be:</p>
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	60
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required* See Note 2	60
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required* See Note 3	60*

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	(3)	(4)	(5)
	The minimum area for single occupancy resident bedrooms shall be 100 square feet.	The minimum area for multiple occupancy resident bedrooms shall be 80 square feet per bed. See Note 6	The maximum average clearance between adjacent beds and between bed and wall shall be 36 inches.
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required See Note 4	Required See Note 4	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required See Note 4	Required See Note 4	Required
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required* See Note 5	Required* See Note 5	Required*

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	(6)	(7)	(8)
	The vista from the resident bedroom window shall not be less than 20 feet, measured perpendicular to the window.	Each resident shall be provided with as least: a bedside table, an overbed reading lamp, an individual wardrobe or closet which shall be a minimum of 22 inches deep and 20 inches wide and a height sufficient to accommodate a full length hanging space with hanger rod and shelf, a well constructed 36 inch wide minimum hospital type bed having double gatch frames and siderall fittings, a mattress, pillows, and a non-folding type straight chair. Ceiling mounted cubical privacy curtains shall be provided for each bed in multi-bed rooms.	All wall mounted tumbler switches for the control of lighting in resident areas shall be of the quiet operating type.
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	Required See Note 29	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Not Required.	Required See Note 29*	Required*
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Not Required.	Required* See Note 7 See Note 29*	Required*

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	(9)	(10)	(11)
	<p>At a minimum, each resident bedroom shall have a duplex grounding type receptacle, convenience outlet, on each side of the head of each bed. The two receptacles shall be on two branch electrical circuits.</p> <p>See Note 8</p>	<p>A minimum of one resident use water closet shall be provided per eight beds.</p>	<p>Resident toilet rooms shall be directly connected to resident bedrooms not via corridor.</p>
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	Required	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required*	Required	Required
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	Required*	Required*

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	(12)	(13)	(14)
	Minimum resident toilet door leaf widths shall be 32 inches.	Minimum resident bathing facilities shall be: See Note 10	Each resident toilet room shall be equipped with a bedpan flush attachment at the water closet.
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required See Note 9	One tub or shower per 15 beds not individually served.	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required See Note 9	One tub or shower per 15 beds not individually served.	Required
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	One tub or shower per 16 beds not individually served.	Required*

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	(15)	(16)	(17)
	All resident use water closets, showers, and tubs shall be provided with grab bars on at least two sides. Grab bars shall be one and one-half inches in diameter and shall be capable of withstanding a vertically applied load of 250 pounds for five minutes.	There shall be a lavatory in each: a. toilet room b. semi-private resident bedroom without exclusive toilet room. c. Resident bedrooms with three or more beds. d. Resident bedroom without connecting toilet room.	The minimum area of each nursing station shall be 100 square feet. Included in the required area is the area consumed by the desk and adjacent seating area.
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	a., b., and c required.	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required	a., b., and c required.	Required*
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	a., c, and d. required. See Note 11	Required*

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	(18)	(19)	(20)
	<p>The minimum area of the clean utility room shall be 80 square feet.</p> <p>See Note 12</p>	<p>The minimum area of the soiled utility function shall be 80 square feet.</p> <p>See Note 13</p>	<p>The minimum area of the medication preparation room shall be 40 square feet.</p> <p>See Note 15</p>
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	Required	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required*	Required*	Required* See Note 2
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	Required* See Note 14*	Required* See Note 3

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	(21)	(22)	(23)
	<p>The minimum area of the nourishment room shall be 40 square feet.</p> <p>See Note 16</p>	<p>The minimum area of the clean linen closet shall be 20 square feet.</p>	<p>Each nursing unit shall have a stretcher and wheelchair parking alcove capable of accommodating minimally one stretcher and one wheelchair.</p>
<p>New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982</p>	<p>Required</p>	<p>Required</p>	<p>Required</p>
<p>Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982</p>	<p>No area requirement. See Note 2*</p>	<p>No area requirement. See Note 2*</p>	<p>Required</p>
<p>Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970</p>	<p>No area requirement. See Note 3*</p>	<p>No area requirement. See Note 3*</p>	<p>Not required. See Note 3</p>

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	(24)	(25)	(26)
	The maximum travel distance from the nurses' station, clean utility and soiled utility rooms to the farthest resident bedroom shall not exceed 120 feet.	There shall be a single resident bedroom with private toilet and bathing facilities, walls and ceiling to be scrubbable, as follows:	There shall be a minimum of nine square feet recreation and dining area per bed.
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	One per nursing unit near nursing station.	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required	One per facility.	Required
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	One per facility.	Required*

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	(27)	(28)	(29)
	All resident corridors shall be enclosed and heated.	Minimum required general storage area shall be five square feet per bed up to 1200 square feet. See Note 17	Toilet facilities, water closet and lavatory, to serve the handicapped shall be provided on each floor.
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	Required	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required	Required*	Required
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	Required*	Required*

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	(30)	(31)	(32)
	<p>Resident corridor handrail width shall be :</p> <p>See Note 18</p>	<p>In facilities where the roof and ceiling assembly is not the accessible type, access panels shall be provided for visual inspection of all smoke and horizontal exit walls. Panels shall be located to allow all parts of the partition to be inspected. Maximum spacing of panels shall be 33 feet.</p>	<p>Elevator requirements for buildings over one story:</p>
<p>New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982</p>	<p>A minimum of one and one-quarter inches to a maximum of one and one-half inches.</p>	<p>Required</p>	<p>4000 pound capacity, hospital type required.</p>
<p>Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982</p>	<p>A minimum of one inch to a maximum of one and one-half inches.</p>	<p>Required*</p>	<p>3500 pound minimum capacity required.</p>
<p>Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970</p>	<p>A minimum of one inch to a maximum of one and one-half inches.</p>	<p>Required*</p>	<p>Elevator required in buildings over two stories. See Note 19</p>

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	(33)	(34)	(35)
	Office requirements for facility administration, Director of Nursing Services, and Dietary Services Supervisor.	Minimum general ceiling height shall be eight feet. See Note 20	A minimum of one drinking fountain, equipped to serve the handicapped, shall be provided on each floor. See Table III
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Separate office required for each.	Required	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Separate office required for each.	Required*	Required*
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	Required*	Required*

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	(36)	(37)	(38)
	Nursing unit corridors shall have general illumination with provisions for reduction of light level at night.	Duplex grounded receptacles, convenience outlets, for general use shall be installed 50 feet apart in all corridors and within 25 feet of ends of corridors.	The electrical circuits to receptacles within five feet of plumbing fixtures in resident areas shall be provided with five milliamperes ground fault interrupters. See Note 21
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	Required	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required*	Required*	Required*
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	Required*	Required*

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	(39)	(40)	(41)
	<p>Except as modified in these rules, plumbing fixtures and fittings shall be installed in accordance with Table III and with the provisions of Chapter 59A-4, F.A.C.</p>	<p>An essential electrical system, including emergency generator, shall be installed, connected, and maintained. A remote annunciator for the generator derangement signals shall be provided.</p> <p>See Note 30</p>	<p>Minimum quantities of outdoor air, total air, and relative pressures shall be in accordance with Table II.</p> <p>See Note 22</p>
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	Required	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required*	Required*	Required
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	Required*	Required*

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	(42)	(43)	(44)
	<p>Supply, exhaust, and return fans shall operate continuously.</p> <p>See Note 23</p>	<p>In resident use areas, windowless staff areas, and storage rooms, the ventilation air shall be tempered.</p>	<p>Outdoor air intakes for new air handling equipment serving more than one room or space shall be a minimum of three feet above the surrounding surface. Roof mounted equipment with outdoor air intakes shall be located at least ten feet from exhaust fans and plumbing vents.</p>
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required	Required	Required
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required	Required*	Required
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required*	Required*	Required*

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	(45)	(46)	(47)
	When food service is provided in-house, the facility shall comply with the provisions of Chapter 59A-4, F.A.C.	Toilets dedicated for the exclusive use of food service personnel shall be provided within the kitchen. Toilet rooms must have vestibules.	A nurse calling system shall be provided. See Notes 26 & 27
New Facility Subsequent to April 1, 1982	Required See Notes 24 & 25	Required	Required See Note 28
Existing Facility July 7, 1970 - April 1, 1982	Required See Note 24	Required	Required
Existing Facility Prior to July 7, 1970	Required See Note 24	Required*	Required