

1 10A NCAC 13E .0308 is amended under temporary procedures as follows:

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3 **10A NCAC 13E .0308 BEDROOMS**

4 (a) There shall be bedrooms sufficient in number and size to meet the individual needs of the participant according to
5 their age and gender.

6 (b) A room used as a bedroom shall meet the requirements of this Rule and be approved by the Construction Section.

7 (c) A room accessed only through a bathroom, kitchen, or another bedroom shall not be approved for a participant's
8 bedroom.

9 (d) Bedrooms occupied by one participant shall be provided with not less than 100 square feet of floor area, ~~including~~
10 ~~excluding accessory areas such as vestibule, closet, or wardrobe space.~~ vestibules, closets, wardrobes, or bathrooms.

11 Bedrooms occupied by two participants shall be provided with not less than 160 square feet of floor area, ~~including~~
12 ~~excluding accessory areas such as vestibule, closet, or wardrobe space.~~ vestibules, closets, wardrobes, or bathrooms.

13 (e) The total number of participants assigned to a bedroom shall be based on the square footage requirements of
14 Paragraph (d) of this Rule as approved by the Construction Section for that bedroom.

15 (f) A bedroom shall not be occupied by more than two participants.

16 (g) Each participant bedroom shall have one or more operable windows with views to the outdoors. At least one
17 operable window shall meet the requirements of the North Carolina State Building Code: Residential Code for
18 emergency egress for facilities with a licensed capacity of less than seven (7) participants. For facilities with a licensed
19 capacity of seven to twelve participants, windows shall meet the requirements of the North Carolina State Building
20 Code. The gross window area shall be equal to at least eight percent of the floor space required by Paragraph (d) of
21 ~~this Rule.~~ Rule, and shall be equipped with insect-proof screens. To inhibit participant elopement, the window opening
22 may be restricted to a six-inch opening, except windows meeting the emergency egress requirements of the North
23 Carolina State Building Code: Residential Code. The windows shall have a maximum sill height of 44 inches.

24 (h) Bedroom closets or wardrobes shall be large enough to provide each participant with a minimum of 22 cubic feet
25 of clothing storage, one-half of which shall be for hanging clothes with an adjustable-height hanging bar.

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27 *History Note: Authority G.S. 131D-6.1;*

28 *Eff. April 1, 2017.*

29 *Temporary Adoption Eff. November 1, 2026.*