

Name of Facility

2000 CODE

TYPE IN FACILITY NAME AND PROVIDER NUMBER

PART IV RECOMMENDATION FOR WAIVER OF SPECIFIC LIFE SAFETY CODE PROVISIONS

For each item of the Life Safety code recommended for waiver, list the survey report form item number and state the reason for the conclusion that: (a) the specific provisions of the code, if rigidly applied, would result in unreasonable hardship on the facility, and (b) the waiver of such unmet provisions will not adversely affect the health and safety of the patients. If additional space is required, attach additional sheet(s).

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<p>K84 K072 Furnishings obstruct required corridor width LSC(00) Sections 18/19.2.1 and 7.1.10</p> <p>Page 1 of 2</p>	<p>As permitted by S&C 12-21-LSC, an annual waiver is being requested for K072 to allow fixed furniture in exit access corridors. Seating furniture is needed in the corridors to encourage residents to be more active and social by giving them a place to rest as they travel throughout the facility.</p> <p>There will be no adverse effect on the facility's residents, visitors and staff since:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The installation and use of fixed furniture conforms to the provisions of LSC(12), Sec. 18/19.2.3.4(5) including: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. The facility's exit access corridors are at least 8 feet wide. b. The furniture is securely attached to the floor (or to the wall). c. The fixed furniture: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Does not reduce the clear unobstructed corridor width to less than 6 feet; 2) Is located only on one side of the corridor; 3) Is grouped such that each grouping does not exceed an area of 50 ft² and such groupings are separated from each other by a distance of at least 10 feet; and 4) Is located so as not to obstruct access to building service and fire protection equipment. d. Facility corridors are protected by an electrically supervised automatic smoke detection system consisting of smoke detectors located and spaced in accordance with NFPA 72(99), Sec. 2-3.4. e. The building is protected throughout by an approved, supervised automatic fire sprinkler system (consisting of quick-response sprinklers and) installed and maintained in accordance with NFPA 13 and NFPA 25.

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K84 K072 Furnishings obstruct required corridor width LSC(00) Sections 18/19.2.1 and 7.1.10	Request for annual waiver for K072 to allow fixed furniture in exit access corridors (continued) (NOTE: SELECT ONLY THE FOLLOWING THAT APPLY TO YOUR FACILITY) 2. All employees receive training regarding safe evacuation around fixed furniture during new employee orientation and annually thereafter. 3. The facility's emergency evacuation plan does not require or allow the movement of residents in beds or gurneys during an evacuation. 4. The fire department has been notified of the locations of the fixed seating in the corridor. 5. Individual groupings of fixed furniture are limited to not more than 5 feet in length to maintain resident access to corridor handrails in accordance with MN Dept. of Health regulations. 6. Fixed furniture is limited to not more than two pieces of seating furniture per smoke compartment. 7. Inspection of the fixed furniture has been added to the facility's annual preventive maintenance schedule to ensure that the furniture remains fixed and is promptly repaired when damaged. 8. Resident sleeping rooms are equipped with hard-wired automatic smoke detectors. 9. The facility is smoke-free and signs to that effect are prominently posted at all major entrances. 10. The building is of protected noncombustible construction.

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